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#### PART I - THE SCHEDULE

### SECTION B - SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS

#### B.1 NOTICE Listing Contract Clauses Incorporated by Reference

#### NOTICE:

The following solicitation provisions and/or contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference:

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1)

NUMBER DATE TITLE

52.212-4 FEB 2007 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS ALTERNATE I (FEB 2007)

# B.2 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- COMMERCIAL ITEMS (FAR 52.212-4) (FEB 2007)

- (a) Inspection/Acceptance. The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance ofnonconforming services at no increase in contract price. If repair/replacement or reperformance will not correct the defects or is not possible, the Government may seek an equitable price reduction or adequate consideration for acceptance of nonconforming supplies or services. The Government must exercise its post-acceptance rights—
- (1) Within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and
- (2) Before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.
- (b) Assignment. The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727). However, when a third party makes payment (e.g., use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.
- (c) Changes. Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.
- (d) Disputes. This contract is subject to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978,

as amended (41 U.S.C. 601-613). Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.233-1, Disputes, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

- (e) Definitions. The clause at FAR 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated herein by reference.
- (f) Excusable delays. The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence such as, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.
- (g) *Invoice*. (1) The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies (or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include—
  - (i) Name and address of the Contractor;
  - (ii) Invoice date and number;

  - (iv) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price and extended price of the items delivered;
  - (v) Shipping number and date of shipment, including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading;
  - (vi) Terms of any discount for prompt payment offered;
  - (vii) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent;

  - (x) Electronic funds transfer (EFT) banking information.

- (A) The Contractor shall include EFT banking information on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
- (B) If EFT banking information is not required to be on the invoice, in order for the invoice to be a proper invoice, the Contractor shall have submitted correct EFT banking information in accordance with the applicable solicitation provision, contract clause (e.g., 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Central Contractor Registration, or 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other Than Central Contractor Registration), or applicable agency procedures.
- (C) EFT banking information is not required if the Government waived the requirement to pay by  ${\ EFT.}$
- (2) Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR Part 1315.
- (h) Patent indemnity. The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.
- (i) Payment.- (1)  $Items\ accepted.$  Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract.
- (2) Prompt payment. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR Part 1315.
- (3) Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). If the Government makes payment by EFT, see 52.212-5 (b) for the appropriate EFT clause.
- (4) Discount. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date which appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.
- (5) Overpayments. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer and request instructions for disposition of the overpayment.
- (j) Risk of loss. Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon:
  - (1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation

is f.o.b. origin; or

- (2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.
- $% \left( k\right) =0$  (k) Taxes. The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.
- (1) Termination for the Government's convenience. The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.
- (m) Termination for cause. The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.
- (n) Title. Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.
- (o) Warranty. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.
- (p) Limitation of liability. Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.
- (q) Other compliances. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, executive orders, rules and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.
- (r) Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts. The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the

use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. 3701, et seq., Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act; 41 U.S.C. 51-58, Anti-Kickback Act of 1986; 41 U.S.C. 265 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistleblower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. 423 relating to procurement integrity.

- (s) Order of precedence. Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:
  - (1) The schedule of supplies/services.
- (2) The Assignments, Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Other Compliances, and Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts paragraphs of this clause.
  - (3) The clause at 52.212-5.
- (4) Addenda to this solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer software.
  - (5) Solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation.
  - (6) Other paragraphs of this clause.
  - (7) The Standard Form 1449.
  - (8) Other documents, exhibits, and attachments.
  - (9) The specification.
  - (t) Central Contractor Registration (CCR).
- (1) Unless exempted by an addendum to this contract, the Contractor is responsible during performance and through final payment of any contract for the accuracy and completeness of the data within the CCR database, and for any liability resulting from the Government's reliance on inaccurate or incomplete data. To remain registered in the CCR database after the initial registration, the Contractor is required to review and update on an annual basis from the date of initial registration or subsequent updates its information in the CCR database to ensure it is current, accurate and complete. Updating information in the CCR does not alter the terms and conditions of this contract and is not a substitute for a properly executed contractual document.
- (2)(i) If a Contractor has legally changed its business name, "doing business as" name, or division name (whichever is shown on the contract), or has transferred the assets used in performing the contract, but has not completed the necessary requirements regarding novation and change-of-name agreements in FAR Subpart 42.12, the Contractor shall provide the responsible Contracting Officer a minimum of one business day's written notification of its intention to (A) change the name in the CCR database; (B) comply with the requirements of Subpart 42.12; and (C) agree in writing to the timeline and procedures specified by the responsible Contracting Officer. The Contractor must provide with the notification sufficient documentation to

support the legally changed name.

(ii) If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (t)(2)(i) of this clause, or fails to perform the agreement at paragraph (t)(2)(i)(C) of this clause, and, in the absence of a properly executed novation or change-of name agreement, the CCR information that shows the Contractor to be other than the Contractor indicated in the contract will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of Payment" paragraph of the electronic funds transfer (EFT) clause of this contract.

(3) The Contractor shall not change the name or address for EFT payments or manual payments, as appropriate, in the CCR record to reflect an assignee for the purpose of assignment of claims (see Subpart 32.8, Assignment of Claims). Assignees shall be separately registered in the CCR database. Information provided to the Contractor's CCR record that indicates payments, including those made by EFT, to an ultimate recipient other than that Contractor will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of payment" paragraph of the EFT clause of this contract.

(4) Offerors and Contractors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via the internet at http://www.ccr.gov or by calling 1-888-227-2423 or 269-961-5757.

(End of clause)

# B.3 FIXED RATES FOR SERVICES--INDEFINITE DELIVERY/INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT (EPAAR 1552.216-73) (APR 1984)

The following fixed rates shall apply for payment purposes for the duration of the contract.

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THE TOTAL BASE PERIOD HOURS ARE FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES ONLY. THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT OBLIGATED TO ORDER NOR IS THE CONTRACTOR OBLIGATED TO SUPPLY THE HOURS LISTED BELOW. HOURS WILL BE DETERMINED ON A TASK ORDER BY TASK ORDER BASIS.

### BASE PERIOD:

Labor Category	Hours	Fixed Hourly Rate	TOTAL
Total Base Period ODC's	19,000 \$75,000		
G&A/Material Handling	90		

#### OPTION PERIOD I:

Labor Category	Hours	Fixed Hourly Rate	TOTAL
Total Base Period	19,000		

ODC's \$75,000 G&A/Material Handling %

OPTION PERIOD II:

Labor Category	Hours	Fixed Hourly Rate	TOTAL
Total Base Period	20,000		

ODC's \$75,000 G&A/Material Handling %

OPTION PERIOD III:

Labor Category	Hours	Fixed Hourly Rate	TOTAL

Total Base Period 20,000 ODC's \$75,000 G&A/Material Handling %

### OPTION PERIOD IV:

Labor Category	Hours	Fixed Hourly Rate	TOTAL
Total Base Period	21,000		
ODC's	\$75 <b>,</b> 000		
G&A/Material Handling	용		

The rate, or rates, set forth above cover all expenses, including report preparation, salaries, overhead, general and administrative expenses, and profit.

The Contractor shall voucher for only the time of the personnel whose services are applied directly to the work called for in individual Task Orders and accepted by the Government. The Government shall pay the Contractor for the life of a task order at rates in effect when the task order was issued, even if performance under the task order crosses into another period. The Contractor shall maintain time and labor distribution records for all employees who work under the contract. These records must document time worked and work performed by each individual on all Task Orders.

### B.4 MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM AMOUNTS (EP 52.216-140) (APR 1984)

During the period specified in the "Ordering" clause, the Government shall place orders totaling a minimum of \$50,000.00 over the life of the contract. The amount of all orders shall not exceed to be determined, for the life of the contract (base period and four option periods).

### SECTION C - DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

### C.1 NOTICE REGARDING PROHIBITED CONTRACTOR ACTIVITIES ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) CONTRACTS (EP 52.000-000) (NOV 1994)

The Contractor shall not perform any of the following activities on behalf of EPA in connection with this contract:

- 1. The actual preparation of Congressional testimony.
- 2. The interviewing or hiring of individuals for employment at EPA.
- 3. Developing and/or writing of Position Descriptions and Performance Standards.
- 4. The actual determination of Agency policy.
- 5. Participating as a voting member on a Performance Evaluation Board; participating in and/or attending Award Fee meetings.
- 6. Preparing Award Fee Letters, even under typing services contracts.
- 7. The actual preparation of Award Fee Plans.
- 8. The preparation of documents on EPA Letterhead other than routine administrative correspondence.
- 9. Reviewing vouchers and invoices for the purposes of determining whether costs, hours, and work performed are reasonable.
- 10. The preparation of Statements of Work, Work Assignments, Technical Direction Documents, Delivery Orders, or any other work issuance document under a contract that the contractor is performing or may perform. Such a work issuance document, prepared by an EPA prime contractor under an EPA prime contract for its subcontractor, is exempt from this prohibition.
- 11. The actual preparation of responses to audit reports from the Inspector General, General Accounting Office, or other auditing entities.
- 12. Preparing responses to Congressional correspondence.
- 13. The actual preparation of responses to Freedom of Information Act requests, other than routine, non-judgmental correspondence.
- 14. Any contract which authorizes a contractor to represent itself as EPA to outside parties.
- 15. Conducting administrative hearings.
- 16. Reviewing findings concerning the eligibility of  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{EPA}}$  employees for security clearances.
- 17. The actual preparation of an office's official budget request.

# C.2 COMPLIANCE WITH EPA POLICIES FOR INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (EPAAR 1552.211-79) (OCT 2000)

- (a) <u>Definition</u>. Information Resources Management (IRM) is defined as any planning, budgeting, organizing, directing, training, promoting, controlling, and managing activities associated with the burden, collection, creation, use and dissemination of information. IRM includes both information itself, and the management of information and related resources such as personnel, equipment, funds, and technology. Examples of these services include but are not limited to the following:
- (1) The acquisition, creation, or modification of a computer program or automated data base for delivery to EPA or use by EPA or contractors operating EPA programs.
- (2) The analysis of requirements for, study of the feasibility of, evaluation of alternatives for, or design and development of a computer program or automated data base for use by EPA or contractors operating EPA programs.
- (3) Services that provide EPA personnel access to or use of computer or word processing equipment, software, or related services.
- (4) Services that provide EPA personnel access to or use of: Data communications; electronic messaging services or capabilities; electronic bulletin boards, or other forms of electronic information dissemination; electronic record-keeping; or any other automated information services.
- (b) General. The Contractor shall perform any IRM related work under this contract in accordance with the IRM policies, standards and procedures set forth in this clause and noted below. Upon receipt of a work request (i.e. delivery order or work assignment), the Contractor shall check this listing of directives (see paragraph (d) for electronic access). The applicable directives for performance of the work request are those in effect on the date of issuance of the work request.
- (1) IRM Policies, Standards and Procedures. The 2100 Series (2100-2199) of the Agency's Directive System contains the majority of the Agency's IRM policies, standards and procedures.
- (2) Groundwater Program IRM Requirement. A contractor performing any work related to collecting Groundwater data; or developing or enhancing data bases containing Groundwater quality data shall comply with <u>EPA Order 7500.1A</u> <u>Minimum Set of Data Elements for Groundwater</u>.
- (3) EPA Computing and Telecommunications Services. <u>The Enterprise</u> <u>Technology Services Division (ETSD) Operational Directives Manual</u> contains procedural information about the operation of the Agency's computing and telecommunications services. Contractors performing work for the Agency's National Computer Center or those who are developing systems which will be operating on the Agency's national platforms must comply with procedures established in the Manual. (This document may be found at: http://basin.rtpnc.epa.gov/etsd/directives.nsf.)

(c)  $\underline{Printed\ Documents}$ . Documents listed in (b)(1) and (b)(2) may be obtained from:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Administration
Facilities Management and Services Division
Distribution Section
Mail Code: 3204M
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20460
Phone: (202) 564-9629

(d) <u>Electronic Access</u>. Electronic access. A complete listing, including full text, of documents included in the 2100 Series of the Agency's Directive System is maintained on the EPA Public Access Server on the Internet at http://epa.gov/docs/irmpoli8/.

# C.3 ACQUISITION AND USE OF ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES (EP-S 97-1) (MAY 1999)

- (a) Executive Order 13101 of September 14, 1998, entitled "Greening the Government through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition" and Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962, Pub L. 94-580, 90 Stat. 2822) require Federal agencies to procure designated items with the highest recovered materials content practicable.
- (b) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the following issuances:
- (1) Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 247, Comprehensive Guideline for Procurement of Products Containing Recovered Materials (CPG), which designates items that are or can be made with recovered materials, and its companion pieces, the Recovered Materials Advisory Notices (RMANs). The CPG and RMANs provide recommended procurement practices, including recommended recovered material content levels, for purchasing products designated in the CPG. The Contractor shall comply with these recommendations, and such other CPG revisions and RMANs as the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) may issue with respect to the procurement of products that contain recovered materials. (Copies of the CPG or RMANs, as well as information on manufacturers and vendors of designated items may be obtained by calling EPA's RCRA Hotline at (800) 424-9346, or, in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, at (703) 412-9810.)
- (2) In complying with the requirements of paragraph (b), the Contractor shall coordinate its concerns and program guidance with EPA's Recycling Coordinator.
- (c) The Contractor shall prepare and submit reports on the purchase of products containing recovered materials from time to time in accordance with written direction (e.g., in specified format) from the EPA Recycling Coordinator through the Contracting Officer. Reports shall be submitted to the EPA Recycling Coordinator, with a copy to the Contracting Officer, Mail Code 3204, Washington, D.C. 20460.

# SECTION D - PACKAGING AND MARKING

[For this Solicitation, there are NO clauses in this Section]

## SECTION E - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

## E.1 NOTICE Listing Contract Clauses Incorporated by Reference

### NOTICE:

The following solicitation provisions and/or contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference:

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1)

NUMBER DATE TITLE

52.246-6 MAY 2001 INSPECTION--TIME-AND-MATERIAL AND LABOR-HOUR

#### SECTION F - DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE

### F.1 NOTICE Listing Contract Clauses Incorporated by Reference

NOTICE:

The following solicitation provisions and/or contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference:

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1)

NUMBER DATE TITLE

52.242-15 AUG 1989 STOP WORK ORDER

### F.2 REPORTS OF WORK (EPAAR 1552.211-70) (OCT 2000) DEVIATION

The Contractor shall prepare and deliver reports, including plans, evaluations, studies, analyses and manuals. Each report shall cite the contract number, identifying the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as the sponsoring agency, and identify the name of the contractor preparing the report.

The OMB clearance number for progress reports delivered under this contract is 2030-0005 with an expiration date of March 31, 2009.

### F.3 WORKING FILES (EPAAR 1552.211-75) (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall maintain accurate working files (by task or work assignment) on all work documentation including calculations, assumptions, interpretations of regulations, sources of information, and other raw data required in the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall provide the information contained in its working files upon request of the Contracting Officer.

### F.4 MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES (EPAAR 1552.211-78) (APR 1985)

All reports containing recommendations to the Environmental Protection Agency shall include the following information on the cover of each report: (a) name and business address of the contractor; (b) contract number; (c) contract dollar amount; (d) whether the contract was subject to full and open competition or a sole source acquisition (e) name of the EPA Project Officer and the EPA Project Officer's office identification and location; and (f) date of report.

# F.5 EFFECTIVE PERIOD OF CONTRACT--TIME AND MATERIALS, LABOR HOUR, OR INDEFINITE DELIVERY/INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT (EP 52.212-155) (APR 1984)

The effective period of this contract is from date of award thru December 31, 2009.

### SECTION G - CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

### G.1 ORDERING--BY DESIGNATED ORDERING OFFICERS (EPAAR 1552.216-72) (APR 1984)

(a) The Government will order any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract by issuing task orders on Optional Form 347, or an agency prescribed form, from the effective date of the contract through the expiration date of the contract. In addition to the Contracting Officer, the following individuals are authorized ordering officers:

NONE.

- (b) A Standard Form 30 will be the method of amending task orders.
- (c) The Contractor shall acknowledge receipt of each order and shall prepare and forward to the Ordering Officer and Contracting Officer's Representative within ten (10) calendar days the proposed staffing plan for accomplishing the assigned task within the period specified.
- (d) If the Contractor considers the estimated labor hours or specified work completion date to be unreasonable, he/she shall promptly notify the Ordering Officer and Contracting Officer's Representative in writing within 10 calendar days, stating why the estimated labor hours or specified completion date is considered unreasonable.
- (e) Each task order will have a ceiling price, which the Contractor may not exceed. When the Contractor has reason to believe that the labor payment and support costs for the order, which will accrue in the next thirty (30) days, will bring total cost to over 85 percent of the ceiling price specified in the order, the Contractor shall notify the Ordering Officer.
- (f) Paragraphs (c), (d), and (e) of this clause apply only when services are being ordered.

# G.2 SUBMISSION OF INVOICES (EPAAR 1552.232-70) (JUN 1996) ALTERNATE I (JUN 1996) DEVIATION

In order to be considered properly submitted, an invoice or request for contract financing payment must meet the following contract requirements in addition to the requirements of FAR 32.905:

- (a) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, an invoice or request for contract financing payment shall be submitted as an original and five copies. The Contractor shall submit the invoice or request for contract financing payment to the following offices/individuals designated in the contract: the original and two copies to the Accounting Operations Office shown in Block \_\_\_\_ on the cover of the contract; one copy to the Project Officer (the Project Officer may direct one of these copies to a separate address).
- (b) The Contractor shall prepare its invoice or request for contract financing payment on the prescribed Government forms. Standard Forms Number (x,y)

1034, Public Voucher for Purchases and Services other than Personal, shall be used by contractors to show the amount claimed for reimbursement. Standard Form 1035, Public Voucher for Purchases and Services other than Personal - Continuation Sheet, shall be used to furnish the necessary supporting detail or additional information required by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor may submit self-designed forms which contain the required information.

- (c)(1) The Contractor shall prepare a contract level invoice or request for contract financing payment in accordance with the invoice preparation instructions identified as a separate attachment in Section J of the contract. If contract work is authorized by individual delivery orders, the invoice or request for contract financing payment shall also include a summary of the current and cumulative amounts claimed by cost element for each delivery order and for the contract total, as well as any supporting data for each delivery order as identified in the instructions.
- (2) The invoice or request for contract financing payment that employs a fixed rate feature shall include current and cumulative charges by contract labor category and by other major cost elements such as travel, equipment, and other direct costs. For current costs, each cost element shall include the appropriate supporting schedules identified in the invoice preparation instructions.
- (3) The charges for subcontracts shall be further detailed in a supporting schedule showing the major cost elements for each subcontract. The degree of detail for any subcontract exceeding \$5,000 is to be the same as that set forth under (c)(2).
- (4) The charges for consultants shall be further detailed in the supporting schedule showing the major cost elements of each consultant. For current costs, each major cost element of the consulting agreement shall also include the supporting schedule identified in the invoice preparation instructions.
- (d) Invoices or requests for contract financing payment must clearly indicate the period of performance for which payment is requested. Separate invoices or requests for contract financing payment are required for charges applicable to the basic contract and each option period.
- (e) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of the clause of this contract at FAR 52.216-7, Allowable Cost and Payment, invoices or requests for contract financing payment shall be submitted once per month unless there has been a demonstrated need and Contracting Officer approval for more frequent billings. When submitted on a monthly basis, the period covered by invoices or requests for contractor financing payments shall be the same as the period for monthly progress reports required under this contract.
- (2) If the Contracting Officer allows submissions more frequently than monthly, one submittal each month shall have the same ending period of performance as the monthly progress report.
- (3) Where cumulative amounts on the monthly progress report differ from the aggregate amounts claimed in the invoice(s) or request(s) for contract financing payments covering the same period, the contractor shall provide a reconciliation of the difference as part of the payment request.

### G.3 INDIRECT COSTS (EPAAR 1552.242-70) (APR 1984) DEVIATION

(a) In accordance with paragraph (d) of the "Allowable Cost and Payment" clause, the final indirect cost rates applicable to this contract shall be established between the Contractor and the appropriate Government representative (EPA, other Government agency, or auditor), as provided by FAR 42.703-1(a). EPA's procedures require a Contracting Officer determination of indirect cost rates for its contracts. In those cases where EPA is the cognizant agency (see FAR 42.705-1), the final rate proposal shall be submitted to the cognizant audit activity and to the following:

Environmental Protection Agency Chief, Cost and Rate Negotiation Service Center Office of Acquisition Management (3802R) Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20460

The Contractor shall also follow the notification and cost impact procedures prescribed in paragraph (b) below.

Where EPA is not the cognizant agency, the final rate proposal shall be submitted to the above-cited address, to the cognizant audit agency, and to the designated Contracting Officer of the cognizant agency. Upon establishment of the final indirect cost rates, the Contractor shall submit an executed Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data (see FAR 15.406-2) applicable to the data furnished in connection with the final rates to the cognizant audit agency. The final rates shall be contained in a written understanding between the Contractor and the appropriate Government representative. Pursuant to the "Allowable Cost and Payment" clause, the allowable indirect costs under this contract shall be obtained by applying the final agreed upon rate(s) to the appropriate bases.

(b) Until final annual indirect cost rates are established for any period, the Government shall reimburse the Contractor at billing rates established by the appropriate Government representative in accordance with FAR 42.704, by means of a separate indirect cost rate agreement or a contract modification subject to adjustment when the final rates are established. The established billing rates are currently as follows:

Cost Center Period Rate Base

These billing rates may be prospectively or retroactively revised by mutual agreement, at the request of either the Government or the Contractor, to prevent substantial overpayment or underpayment.

(1) For any retroactive indirect cost rate adjustments (i.e.,indirect costs already billed), including final indirect cost rate adjustments, the Contractor shall provide to the Cost Policy and Rate Negotiation Section, with copies to the current EPA Contracting Officers of active contracts, a cost impact statement showing the effect of the indirect cost rate changes for each contract. This statement shall compare the cost billed to the cost the Contractor proposes to bill.

- (2) For prospective indirect cost rate adjustments only, the Contractor shall notify the current EPA Contracting Officers of the new proposed rates when it proposes rates to the Cost Policy and Rate Negotiation Section.
- (3) For either prospective or retroactive indirect cost rate adjustments, the Contractor shall provide the Cost Policy and Rate Negotiation Section with the names of the current EPA Contracting Officers for the affected contracts.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) above, ceilings are hereby established on indirect costs reimbursable under this contract. The Government shall not be obligated to pay the Contractor any additional amount on account of indirect costs in excess of the ceiling rates listed below:

Cost Center Period Rate Base

The ceiling rates specified above are applicable from the effective date of the contract through the end of the period of performance including any option periods.

## G.4 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION REPRESENTATIVES (EP 52.242-100) (AUG 1984)

Project Officer(s) for this contract:

### Project Officer:

TO BE IDENTIFIED AT TIME OF CONTRACT AWARD

### **Contracting Officer:**

Sharron K. Doherty U.S. EPA 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Mail Stop 3803R Washington, DC 20460

### doherty.sharron@epa.gov

Phone: 202-564-3075 Fax: 202-565-2554

## G.5 SUBCONTRACT CONSENT (EP 52.244-100) (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall submit the information required by the "Subcontracts,"

clause to the Contracting Officer and assigned Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). The Contracting Officer will provide written notice to the Contractor of his decision.

Consent is given to issue the following subcontracts:

To be inserted at time of award.

### G.6 GOVERNMENT PROPERTY (EPAAR 1552.245-73) (OCT 2000) DEVIATION

- (a) The contractor shall not fabricate or acquire, on behalf of the Government, either directly or indirectly through a subcontract, any item of property without written approval from the Contracting officer.
- (b) In accordance with paragraph (a) above, the contractor is authorized to acquire and/or fabricate the equipment listed below for use in the performance of this contract. The equipment is subject to the provisions of the "Government Property" clause.
- (c) The Government will provide the following item(s) of Government property to the contractor for use in the performance of this contract. This property shall be used and maintained by the contractor in accordance with the provisions of the "Government Property" clause.
- (d) The "EPA Contract Property Administration Requirements" provided below apply to this contract.

### U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Property Administration Requirements (PAR)

- 1. PURPOSE. This document sets forth the requirements for Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) contractors in the performance of their Government property management responsibilities under contracts with EPA. These requirements supplement those contained in the Government property clause(s) in this contract, and part 45 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).
- 2. DELEGATION OF CONTRACT PROPERTY ADMINISTRATION. EPA has delegated much of its contract property management oversight to the Defense Contract Management Command (DCMC). Shortly after award of a contract, the EPA contracting officer (CO) delegates the functions of property administration and plant clearance (disposal) for the contract to DCMC. Upon acceptance of that delegation, DCMC will provide notification to the contractor, identifying the assigned property administrator (PA) and plant clearance officer (PLCO). If the contract is not delegated to DCMC for administration, any reference to PA and PLCO throughout this document shall be construed to mean CO. The DCMC PA is available to the contractor for assistance in all matters of property administration. Notwithstanding the delegation, as necessary, the contractor may contact their EPA CO. In the event of disagreement between the contractor and the DCMC PA, the contractor should seek resolution from the CO. Unless otherwise directed in the contract, or this document, all originals of written information or reports, except direct correspondence between the contractor and the DCMC PA, relative to Government property, should be forwarded to the administrative CO assigned to this contract.

### 3. REQUESTS FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

- a. In accordance with FAR 45.102, the contractor shall furnish all property required for performing Government contracts. If a contractor believes that Government facilities are required for performance of the contract, the contractor shall submit a written request to the CO. At a minimum, the request shall contain the following elements:
  - 1. Contract number for which the facilities are required.
  - 2. An item(s) description, quantity and estimated cost.
- 3. Certification that no like contractor facilities exist which could be utilized.
- 4. A detailed description of the task-related purpose of the facilities.
- 5. Explanation of negative impact if facilities are not provided by the Government.
- 6. If applicable, recommend the exception under FAR 45.302-1 (a) or any applicable EPA class deviation (available upon request), and provide any other information which would support the furnishing of facilities, including contractor-acquired property (CAP).
- 7. Except when the request is for material, a lease versus purchase analysis shall be furnished with the request to acquire property on behalf of the Government.

The contractor may not proceed with acquisition of facilities on behalf of the Government until receipt of written authorization from the EPA CO.

4. TRANSFER OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY. When the contractor receives Government-furnished property (GFP), the contractor should receive, from the transferor, (either EPA or another contractor) all of the applicable data elements (Attachment 1 of this clause) needed to maintain the required records. If this information is not provided at the time of receipt of the property, the contractor shall request it from the EPA CO. The CO will attempt to obtain the data from the previous property holder, or, if data does not exist, will assist the current property holder in estimating the elements. Prior to signing an acceptance document for the property, the receiving contractor should perform a complete inventory of the property. Responsibility, as well as accountability, passes with the signed acceptance.

When, at the written direction of the EPA CO, the contractor transfers GFP to another contractor, or another Agency, the contractor shall provide the applicable data elements (Attachment 1 of this clause). Upon return of the property to EPA, the same data must be provided by the contractor to the EPA CO.

# 5. RECORDS OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

a. In accordance with FAR 45.505 and 45.505-1, the contractor shall establish and maintain adequate property records for all Government property,

regardless of value, including property provided to and in the possession of a subcontractor. Material (supplies) provided by the Government or acquired by the contractor and billed as a direct charge to the Government is Government property and records must be established as such.

- b. The contractor shall establish and maintain the official Government property record. (If the contract contains the FAR Clause 52.245-1, the Government will maintain the official Government property records.) Such records shall contain the applicable data elements (Attachment 1 of this clause) for all items of Government property regardless of cost.
- c. The Contractor shall identify all Superfund property and designate it as such both on the item and on the official Government property record. If it is not practicable to tag the item, the contractor shall write the ID number on a tag, card or other entity that may be kept with the item or in a file.
- d. Support documentation used for posting entries to the property record shall provide complete, current and auditable data. Entries shall be posted to the record in a timely manner following an action.
- e. For Government vehicles, in addition to the data elements required by EPA, the contractor shall also comply with the General Services Administration (GSA) and Department of Energy (DOE) record and report requirements supplied with all EPA provided motor vehicles. If the above requirements were not provided with the vehicle, the contractor shall notify the EPA CO.
- f. When Government property is disclosed to be in the possession or control of the contractor but not provided under any contract, the contractor shall record and report the property in accordance with FAR 45.502(f) and (h).
- **6. INVENTORIES OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.** The contractor shall conduct a complete physical inventory of EPA property at least once per year, unless otherwise directed by the PA. Reconciliation shall be completed within 30 calendar days of inventory completion. The contractor shall report the results of the inventory, including any discrepancies, to the DCMC PA upon completion of the reconciliation. The contractor's records shall indicate the completion date of the inventory.

See section 9 herein, Contract Closeout, for information on final inventories.

- 7. REPORTS OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY. In accordance with FAR 45.505-14, EPA requires an annual summary report, for each contract, by contract number, of Government property in the contractor's possession as of September 30 each year.
- a. For each classification listed in FAR 45.505-14 (a), except material, the contractor shall provide the total acquisition cost and total quantity. If there are zero items in a classification, or if there is an ending balance of zero, the classification must be listed with zeros in the quantity and acquisition cost columns.
- b. For material, the contractor shall provide the total acquisition cost only.
  - c. Property classified as facilities, special tooling, special test

equipment, and agency peculiar must be reported on two separate lines. The first line shall include the total acquisition cost and quantity of all items or systems with a unit acquisition cost of \$25,000 or more. The second line shall include the total acquisition cost and quantity of all items with a unit acquisition cost of less than \$25,000.

- d. For items comprising a system, which is defined as ``a group of interacting items functioning as a complex whole,'' the contractor may maintain the record as a system noting all components of the system under the main component or maintain individual records for each item. However, for the annual report of Government property the components must be reported as a system with one total dollar amount for the system, if that system total is \$25,000 or more.
- e. The reports are to be  ${\bf received}$  at EPA and DCMC no later than October 31 of each year.
  - f. Distribution shall be as follows:

Original to: EPA CO

1 copy: DCMC PA

- g. EPA Contractors are required to comply with GSA's and DOE's special reporting requirements for motor vehicles. A statement of these requirements will be provided by the EPA Facility Management and Services Division (FMSD) concurrent with receipt of each vehicle.
- h. The contractor shall provide detailed reports on an as-needed basis, as may be requested by the  ${\tt CO}$  or the  ${\tt PA}$ .
- **8. DISPOSITION OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.** The disposition process is composed of three distinct phases: identification of excess property, reporting of excess property, and final disposition.
- a. <u>Identification of Excess Property.</u> The disposition process begins with the contractor identifying Government property that is excess to its contract. **Effective contractor property control systems provide for disclosing excesses as they occur.** Once inactive Government property has been determined to be excess to the contract to which it is accountable, it must be screened against the contractor's other EPA contracts for further use. If the property may be reutilized, the contractor shall notify the CO in writing. Government property will be transferred to other contracts only when the COs on both the current contract and the receiving contract authorize such a transfer in writing.
- b. Reporting Excess Government Property. Excess Government property shall be reported in accordance with FAR Subpart 45.6. Inventory schedules A-E (SF Forms 1426-1434) provide the format for reporting of excess Government property. Instructions for completing the forms are located at FAR 45.606-5 and samples may be found in FAR 53.301-1426 thru 1434. Inventory schedules shall be forwarded to the DCMC PLCO with a copy to the EPA CO. The cover letter, which accompanies the inventory schedules, must include the EPA CO's name, address and telephone number. Inventory schedules must also contain a notification if the property is Superfund property. If the property is

Superfund property, the contractor must also prominently include the following language on the inventory schedule: "Note to PLCO: Reimbursement to the EPA Superfund is required." When requested, by the PLCO or the CO, the contractor will provide the fair market value for those items requested.

- c. Disposition Instructions.
- 1. If directed in writing by the EPA CO, the contractor will retain all or part of the excess Government property under the current contract for possible future requirements. The contractor shall request, from the PLCO, withdrawal from the inventory schedule of those items to be retained.
- 2. If directed in writing by the EPA CO, the contractor shall transfer the property to another EPA contractor. The contractor will transfer the property by shipping it in accordance with the instructions provided by the CO. The contractor shall request, from the PLCO, withdrawal from the inventory schedule of those items to be transferred. Further, the contractor shall notify the CO when the transfer is complete.
- 3. If directed in writing by the EPA CO, the contractor shall transfer the property to EPA. The contractor shall ship/deliver the property in accordance with the instructions provided by the CO. The contractor will request, from the PLCO, withdrawal from the inventory schedule of those items to be transferred to EPA. Further, the contractor shall notify the CO when the transfer is complete.
- 4. The contractor will ship the property elsewhere if directed, in writing, by the PLCO.
- 5. The PLCO will either conduct the sale or instruct the contractor to conduct a sale of surplus property. The contractor will allow prospective bidders access to property offered for sale.
- 6. Property abandoned by the PLCO on the contractor's site must be disposed of in a manner that does not endanger the health and safety of the public.
- 7. To effect transfer of accountability, the contractor shall provide the recipient of the property with the applicable data elements set forth in Attachment 1 of this clause. The contractor shall also obtain either a signed receipt from the recipient, or proof of shipment. The contractor shall update the official Government property record to indicate the disposition of the item and to close the record.
- 9. CONTRACT CLOSEOUT. The contractor shall complete a physical inventory of <u>all</u> Government property at contract completion and the results, including any discrepancies, shall be reported to the DCMC PA. In the case of a terminated contract, the contractor shall comply with the inventory requirements set forth in the applicable termination clause. The results of the inventory, as well as a detailed inventory listing, must be forwarded to the CO. For terminated contracts, the contractor will conduct and report the inventory results as directed by the CO.

However, in order to expedite the disposal process, contractors may be required to, or may elect to submit to the CO, an inventory schedule for

disposal purposes up to six (6) months prior to contract completion. If such an inventory schedule is prepared, the contractor must indicate the earliest date that each item may be disposed.

The contractor shall update all property records to show disposal action. The contractor shall notify the DCMC PA, in writing, when all work has been completed under the contract and all Government property accountable to the contract has been disposed.

Attachment 1

**REQUIRED DATA ELEMENTS.** Where applicable (all elements are not applicable to material) the contractor is required to maintain, at a minimum, the information related to the following data elements for EPA Government property:

Contractor Identification/Tag Number;
Description;
Manufacturer;
Model;
Serial Number;
Acquisition Date;
Date received;
Acquisition Cost\*;
Acquisition Document Number;
Location;
Contract Number;
Account Number (if supplied);
Superfund (Yes/No);
Inventory Performance Date;
Disposition Date.

\* Acquisition cost shall include the price of the item plus all taxes, transportation and installation charges allocable to that item.

NOTE: For items comprising a system which is defined as, "a group of interacting items functioning as a complex whole," the contractor may maintain the record as a system noting all components of the system under the main component or maintain individual records for each item. However, for the Annual Report of Government Property, the components must be reported as a **system** with one total dollar amount for the system, if that system total is \$25,000.00 or more.

### SECTION H - SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

# H.1 DISPLAY OF EPA OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL HOTLINE POSTER (EPAAR 1552.203-71) (AUG 2000)

- (a) For EPA contracts valued at \$1,000,000 or more including all contract options, the contractor shall prominently display EPA Office of Inspector General Hotline posters in contractor facilities where the work is performed under the contract.
- (b) Office of Inspector General hotline posters may be obtained from the EPA Office of Inspector General, ATTN: OIG Hotline (2443), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460, or by calling 1-888-546-8740.
- (c) The Contractor need not comply with paragraph (a) of this clause if it has established a mechanism, such as a hotline, by which employees may report suspected instances of improper conduct, and provided instructions that encourage employees to make such reports.

### H.2 PRINTING (EPAAR 1552.208-70) (DEC 2005)

(a) Definitions.

"Printing" is the process of composition, plate making, presswork, binding and microform; or the end items produced by such processes and equipment. Printing services include newsletter production and periodicals which are prohibited under EPA contracts.

"Composition" applies to the setting of type by hot-metal casting, photo typesetting, or electronic character generating devices for the purpose of producing camera copy, negatives, a plate or image to be used in the production of printing or microform.

"Camera copy" (or "camera-ready copy") is a final document suitable for printing/duplication.

"Desktop Publishing" is a method of composition using computers with the final output or generation of camera copy done by a color inkjet or color laser printer. This is not considered "printing." However, if the output from desktop publishing is being sent to a typesetting device (i.e., Linotronic) with camera copy being produced in either paper or negative format, these services are considered "printing".

"Microform" is any product produced in a miniaturized image format, for mass or general distribution and as a substitute for conventionally printed material. Microform services are classified as printing services and includes microfiche and microfilm. The contractor may make up to two sets of microform files for archival purposes at the end of the contract period of performance.

"Duplication" means the making of copies on photocopy machines employing electrostatic, thermal, or other processes without using an intermediary such as a negative or plate.

"Requirement" means an individual photocopying task. (There may be multiple requirements under a Work Assignment or Delivery Order. Each requirement would be subject to the photocopying limitation of 5,000 copies of one page or 25,000 copies of multiple pages in the aggregate per requirement).

"Incidental" means a draft and/or proofed document (not a final document)

that is not prohibited from printing under EPA contracts.

### (b) Prohibition.

- (1) The contractor shall not engage in, nor subcontract for, any printing in connection with the performance of work under this contract. Duplication of more than 5,000 copies of one page or more than 25,000 copies of multiple pages in the aggregate per requirement constitutes printing. The intent of the limitation is eliminate duplication of final documents.
- (2) In compliance with EPA Order 2200.4a, EPA Publication Review Procedure, the Office of Communications, Education, and Media Relations is responsible for the review of materials generated under a contract published or issued by the Agency under a contract intended for release to the public.

### (c) Affirmative Requirements.

- (1) Unless otherwise directed by the contracting officer, the contractor shall use double-sided copying to produce any progress report, draft report or final report.
- (2) Unless otherwise directed by the contracting officer, the contractor shall use recycled paper for reports delivered to the Agency which meet the minimum content standards for paper and paper products as set forth in EPA's Web site for the Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines at: http://www.epa.gov/cpq/.

### (d) Permitted Contractor Activities.

- (1) The prohibitions contained in paragraph (b) do not preclude writing, editing, or preparing manuscript copy, or preparing related illustrative material to a final document (camera-ready copy) using desktop publishing.
- (2) The contractor may perform a requirement involving the duplication of less than 5,000 copies of only one page, or less than 25,000 copies of multiple pages in the aggregate, using one color (black), such pages shall not exceed the maximum image size of 10 3/4 by 14 1/4 inches, or 11 by 17 paper stock. Duplication services below these thresholds are not considered printing. If performance of the contract will require duplication in excess of these thresholds, contractors must immediately notify the contracting officer in writing. The contracting officer must obtain a waiver from the U. S. Congress Joint Committee on Printing if it is deemed appropriate to exceed the duplication thresholds. Duplication services of "incidentals" in excess of the thresholds, are allowable.
- (3) The contractor may perform a requirement involving the multi-color duplication of no more than 100 pages in the aggregate using color copier technology, such pages shall not exceed the maximum image size of 10 3/4 by 14 1/4 inches, or 11 by 17 paper stock. Duplication services below these thresholds are not considered printing. If performance of the contract will require duplication in excess of these limits, contractors must immediately notify the contracting officer in writing. The contracting officer must obtain a waiver from the U. S. Congress Joint Committee on Printing.
- (4) The contractor may perform the duplication of no more than a total of 100 diskettes or CD-ROM's. Duplication services below these thresholds are not considered printing. If performance of the contract will require duplication in excess of these thresholds, contractors must immediately notify

the contracting officer in writing. The contracting officer must obtain a waiver from the  $U.\ S.\ Congress\ Joint\ Committee$  on Printing.

### (e) Violations.

The contractor may not engage in, nor subcontract for, any printing in connection with the performance of work under the contract. The cost of any printing services in violation of this clause will be disallowed, or not accepted by the Government.

#### (f) Flowdown Provision.

The contractor shall include in each subcontract which may involve a requirement for any printing/duplicating/copying a provision substantially the same as this clause.

# H.3 ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (EPAAR 1552.209-71) (MAY 1994) ALTERNATE I (MAY 1994)

- (a) The Contractor warrants that, to the best of the Contractor's knowledge and belief, there are no relevant facts or circumstances which could give rise to an organizational conflict of interest, as defined in FAR Subpart 9.5, or that the Contractor has disclosed all such relevant information.
- (b) Prior to commencement of any work, the Contractor agrees to notify the Contracting Officer immediately that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no actual or potential conflict of interest exists or to identify to the Contracting Officer any actual or potential conflict of interest the firm may have. In emergency situations, however, work may begin but notification shall be made within five (5) working days.
- (c) The Contractor agrees that if an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest is identified during performance, the Contractor will immediately make a full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer. This disclosure shall include a description of actions which the Contractor has taken or proposes to take, after consultation with the Contracting Officer, to avoid, mitigate, or neutralize the actual or potential conflict of interest. The Contractor shall continue performance until notified by the Contracting Officer of any contrary action to be taken.
- (d) Remedies The EPA may terminate this contract for convenience, in whole or in part, if it deems such termination necessary to avoid an organizational conflict of interest. If the Contractor was aware of a potential organizational conflict of interest prior to award or discovered an actual or potential conflict after award and did not disclose it or misrepresented relevant information to the Contracting Officer, the Government may terminate the contract for default, debar the Contractor from Government contracting, or pursue such other remedies as may be permitted by law or this contract.
- (e) The Contractor agrees to insert in each subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder provisions which shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph, unless otherwise authorized by the Contracting Officer.

### H.4 CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS (EPAAR 1552.209-76) (OCT 2002)

The contracting officer shall complete a Contractor Performance Report

(Report) within ninety (90) business days after the end of each 12 months of contract performance (interim Report) or after the last 12 months (or less) of contract performance (final Report) in accordance with EPAAR 1509.170-5. The contractor shall be evaluated based on the following ratings:

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0 = Unsatisfactory,
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- 1 = Poor,
- 2 = Fair,
- 3 = Good,
- 4 = Excellent,
- 5 = Outstanding,
- N/A = Not Applicable.

The contractor may be evaluated based on the following performance categories:

Quality,
Cost Control,
Timeliness of Performance,
Business Relations,
Compliance with Labor Standards,
Compliance with Safety Standards, and
Meeting Small Disadvantaged Business Subcontracting Requirements.

- (a) The contracting officer shall initiate the process for completing interim Reports within five (5) business days after the end of each 12 months of contract performance by requesting the project officer to evaluate contractor performance for the interim Report. In addition, the contracting officer shall initiate the process for completing final Reports within five (5) business days after the last 12 months (or less) of contract performance by requesting the project officer to evaluate contractor performance for the final Report. The final Report shall cover the last 12 months (or less) of contract performance. Within thirty (30) business days after the project officer receives a request from the contracting officer to complete an evaluation, the project officer shall:
  - (1) Complete a description of the contract requirements;
- (2) Evaluate contractor performance and assign a rating for quality, cost control, timeliness of performance, compliance with labor standards, and compliance with safety standards performance categories (including a narrative for each rating);
- (3) Provide any information regarding subcontracts, key personnel, and customer satisfaction;
- (4) Assign a recommended rating for the business relations performance category (including a narrative for the rating); and
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  - (b) The contracting officer shall:
- (1) Ensure the accuracy of the project officer's evaluation by verifying that the information in the contract file corresponds with the designated

project officer's ratings;

- (2) Assign a rating for the business relations and meeting small disadvantaged business subcontracting requirements performance categories (including a narrative for each rating).
- (3) Concur with or revise the project officer's ratings after consultation with the project officer;
- (4) Provide any additional information concerning the quality, cost control, timeliness of performance, compliance with labor standards, and compliance with safety standards performance categories if deemed appropriate for the evaluation or future evaluations (if any), and provide any information regarding subcontracts, key personnel, and customer satisfaction; and
- (5) Forward the Report to the contractor within ten (10) business days after the contracting officer receives the project officer's evaluation.
- (c) The contractor shall be granted thirty (30) business days from the date of the contractor's receipt of the Report to review and provide a response to the contracting officer regarding the contents of the Report. The contractor shall:
  - (1) Review the Report;
- (2) Provide a response (if any) to the contracting officer on company letter head or electronically;
  - (3) Complete contractor representation information; and
- (4) Forward the Report to the contracting officer within the designated thirty (30) business days.
- (d) The contractor's response to the Report may include written comments, rebuttals (disagreements), or additional information. If the contractor does not respond to the Report within the designated thirty (30) business days, the specified ratings in the Report are deemed appropriate for the evaluation period. In this instance, the contracting officer shall complete the Agency review and sign the Report within three (3) business days after expiration of the specified 30 business days.
- (e) If the contractor submits comments, rebuttals (disagreements), or additional information to the contracting officer which contests the ratings, the contracting officer, in consultation with the project officer, shall initially try to resolve the disagreement(s) with the contractor.
- (f) If the disagreement(s) is (are) not resolved between the contractor and the contracting officer, the contracting officer shall provide a written recommendation to one level above the contracting officer for resolution as promptly as possible, but no later than five (5) business days after the contracting officer is made aware that the disagreement(s) has (have) not been resolved with the contractor. The individual who is one level above the contracting officer shall:
  - (1) Review the contracting officer's written recommendation; and

- (2) Provide a written determination to the contracting officer for summary ratings (ultimate conclusion for ratings pertaining to the performance period being evaluated) within five (5) business days after the individual one level above the contracting officer receives the contracting officer's written recommendation.
- (g) If the disagreement is resolved, the contracting officer shall complete the Agency review and sign the Report within three (3) business days after consultation.
- (h) The contracting officer shall complete the Agency review and sign the Report within three (3) business days after the contracting officer receives a written determination for summary ratings from one level above the contracting officer.
- (i) An interim or final Report is considered completed after the contracting officer signs the Report. The contracting officer must provide a copy of completed Reports (interim and final) to the contractor within two (2) business days after completion.

# H.5 OPTION TO EXTEND THE EFFECTIVE PERIOD OF THE CONTRACT - INDEFINITE DELIVERY/INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT (EPAAR 1552.217-76) (APR 1984) DEVIATION

- (a) The Government has the option to extend the effective period of this contract for 4 additional period(s). If more than sixty (60) days remain in the contract effective period, the Government, without prior written notification, may exercise this option by issuing a contract modification. To unilaterally exercise this option within the last 60 days of the effective period, the Government must issue written notification of its intent to exercise the option prior to that last 60-day period. This preliminary notification does not commit the Government to exercising the option.
- (b) If the options are exercised, the "Minimum and Maximum Contract Amount" clause will be modified to reflect new and separate maximum amounts:

Period	Minimum Amount	Maximum Amount				
Option Period I	See Clause B.4	To be determined				
Option Period II	See Clause B.4	To be determined				
Option Period III	See Clause B.4	To be determined				
Option Period IV	See Clause B.4	To be determined				

(c) The "Effective Period of the Contract" clause will be modified as follows:

Period	Start Date	End Date
Option Period I	01/01/10	12/31/2010
Option Period II	01/01/11	12/31/2011

Option Period III 01/01/12 12/31/2012 Option Period IV 01/01/13 12/31/2013

### H.6 SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS TARGETS (EPAAR 1552.219-73) (OCT 2000)

(a) In accordance with FAR 19.1202-4 (a) and EPAAR 52.219-72, the following small disadvantaged business (SDB) participation targets proposed by the contractor are hereby incorporated into and made part of the contract:

			Percentage of
Contractor	NAICS industry		Total Contract
Targets	subsector(s)	Dollars	Value
Total Prime	1		
Contractor	1		
Targets	1		
(Including	1		
joint venture	1		
partners and	1		
team members)			
Total	1		
Subcontractor	1		
Targets			

(b) The following specifically identified SDB(s) was (were) considered under the Section - SDB participation evaluation factor or subfactor (continue on separate sheet if more space is needed):

(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	

The contractor shall promptly notify the contracting officer of any substitution of firms if the new firms are not SDB concerns.

(c) In accordance with FAR 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program - Disadvantaged Status and Reporting, the contractor shall report on the participation of SDB concerns in the performance of the contract no more than ten (10) calendar days after each annual contractor performance evaluation (every 12 months after the effective date of contract) or as otherwise directed by the contracting officer.

# H.7 SCREENING BUSINESS INFORMATION FOR CLAIMS OF CONFIDENTIALITY (EPAAR 1552.235-70) (APR 1984)

- (a) Whenever collecting information under this contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with the following requirements:
- (1) If the Contractor collects information from public sources, such as books, reports, journals, periodicals, public records, or other sources that are available to the public without restriction, the Contractor shall submit a

list of these sources to the appropriate program office at the time the information is initially submitted to EPA. The Contractor shall identify the information according to source.

- (2) If the Contractor collects information from a State or local Government or from a Federal agency, the Contractor shall submit a list of these sources to the appropriate program office at the time the information is initially submitted to EPA. The Contractor shall identify the information according to source.
- (3) If the Contractor collects information directly from a business or from a source that represents a business or businesses, such as a trade association:
- (i) Before asking for the information, the Contractor shall identify itself, explain that it is performing contractual work for the Environmental Protection Agency, identify the information that it is seeking to collect, explain what will be done with the information, and give the following notice:
- (A) You may, if you desire, assert a business confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information. If you do assert a claim, the information will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and by means of the procedures, set forth in 40 CFR Part 2, Subpart B.
- (B) If no such claim is made at the time this information is received by the Contractor, it may be made available to the public by the Environmental Protection Agency without further notice to you.
- (C) The Contractor shall, in accordance with FAR Part 9, execute a written agreement regarding the limitations of the use of this information and forward a copy of the agreement to the Contracting Officer.
- (ii) Upon receiving the information, the Contractor shall make a written notation that the notice set out above was given to the source, by whom, in what form, and on what date.
- (iii) At the time the Contractor initially submits the information to the appropriate program office, the Contractor shall submit a list of these sources, identify the information according to source, and indicate whether the source made any confidentiality claim and the nature and extent of the claim.
- (b) The Contractor shall keep all information collected from nonpublic sources confidential in accordance with the clause in this contract entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" as if it had been furnished to the Contractor by EPA.
- (c) The Contractor agrees to obtain the written consent of the Contracting Officer, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, prior to entering into any subcontract that will require the subcontractor to collect information. The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (c), and the clause entitled "Treatment of Confidential Business Information" in all subcontracts awarded pursuant to this contract that require the subcontractor to collect information.
- H.8 TREATMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION (EPAAR 1552.235-71) (APR

#### 1984)

- (a) The Contracting Officer, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, may disclose confidential business information (CBI) to the Contractor necessary to carry out the work required under this contract. The Contractor agrees to use the CBI only under the following conditions:
- (1) The Contractor and Contractor's employees shall: (i) use the CBI only for the purposes of carrying out the work required by the contract; (ii) not disclose the information to anyone other than properly cleared EPA employees without the prior written approval of the Assistant General Counsel for Contracts and Information Law; and (iii) return to the Contracting Officer all copies of the information, and any abstracts or excerpts therefrom, upon request by the Contracting Officer, whenever the information is no longer required by the Contractor for the performance of the work required by the contract, or upon completion of the contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall obtain a written agreement to honor the above limitations from each of the Contractor's employees who will have access to the information before the employee is allowed access.
- (3) The Contractor agrees that these contract conditions concerning the use and disclosure of CBI are included for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable by, both EPA and any affected businesses having a proprietary interest in the information.
- (4) The Contractor shall not use any CBI supplied by EPA or obtained during performance hereunder to compete with any business to which the CBI relates.
- (b) The Contractor agrees to obtain the written consent of the CO, after a written determination by the appropriate program office, prior to entering into any subcontract that will involve the disclosure of CBI by the Contractor to the subcontractor. The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (b), in all subcontracts awarded pursuant to this contract that require the furnishing of CBI to the subcontractor.

# H.9 RELEASE OF CONTRACTOR CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS INFORMATION (EPAAR 1552.235-79) (APR 1996)

- (a) The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) may find it necessary to release information submitted by the Contractor either in response to this solicitation or pursuant to the provisions of this contract, to individuals not employed by EPA. Business information that is ordinarily entitled to confidential treatment under existing Agency regulations (40 C.F.R. Part 2) may be included in the information released to these individuals. Accordingly, by submission of this proposal or signature on this contract or other contracts, the Contractor hereby consents to a limited release of its confidential business information (CBI).
- (b) Possible circumstances where the Agency may release the Contractor's CBI include, but are not limited to the following:
- (1) To other Agency contractors tasked with assisting the Agency in the recovery of Federal funds expended pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental

Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 9607, as amended, (CERCLA or Superfund);

- (2) To the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and contractors employed by DOJ for use in advising the Agency and representing the Agency in procedures for the recovery of Superfund expenditures;
- (3) To parties liable, or potentially liable, for costs under CERCLA Sec. 107 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 9607), et al, and their insurers (Potentially Responsible Parties) for purposes of facilitating settlement or litigation of claims against such parties;
- (4) To other Agency contractors who, for purposes of performing the work required under the respective contracts, require access to information the Agency obtained under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.); the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.1251 et seq.); the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300f et seq.); the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.); the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.); the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.); or the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.);
- (5) To other Agency contractors tasked with assisting the Agency in handling and processing information and documents in the administration of Agency contracts, such as providing both preaward and post award audit support and specialized technical support to the Agency's technical evaluation panels;
- (6) To employees of grantees working at EPA under the Senior Environmental Employment (SEE) Program;
- (7) To Speaker of the House, President of the Senate, or Chairman of a Committee or Subcommittee;
- (8) To entities such as the General Accounting Office, boards of contract appeals, and the Courts in the resolution of solicitation or contract protests and disputes;
- (9) To Agency contractor employees engaged in information systems analysis, development, operation, and maintenance, including performing data processing and management functions for the Agency; and
  - (10) Pursuant to a court order or court-supervised agreement.
- (c) The Agency recognizes an obligation to protect the contractor from competitive harm that may result from the release of such information to a competitor. (See also the clauses in this document entitled "Screening Business Information for Claims of Confidentiality" and "Treatment of Confidential Business Information.") Except where otherwise provided by law, the Agency will permit the release of CBI under subparagraphs (1), (3), (4), (5), (6), or (9) only pursuant to a confidentiality agreement.
- (d) With respect to contractors, 1552.235-71 will be used as the confidentiality agreement. With respect to Potentially Responsible Parties, such confidentiality agreements may permit further disclosure to other entities where necessary to further settlement or litigation of claims under CERCLA. Such entities include, but are not limited to accounting firms and

technical experts able to analyze the information, provided that they also agree to be bound by an appropriate confidentiality agreement.

- (e) This clause does not authorize the Agency to release the Contractor's CBI to the public pursuant to a request filed under the Freedom of Information Act.
- (f) The Contractor agrees to include this clause, including this paragraph (f), in all subcontracts at all levels awarded pursuant to this contract that require the furnishing of confidential business information by the subcontractor.

#### H.10 KEY PERSONNEL (EPAAR 1552.237-72) (APR 1984)

(a) The Contractor shall assign to this contract the following key personnel:

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- (b) During the first ninety (90) calendar days of performance, the Contractor shall make no substitutions of key personnel unless the substitution is necessitated by illness, death, or termination of employment. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer within 15 calendar days after the occurrence of any of these events and provide the information required by paragraph (c) of this clause. After the initial 90-day period, the Contractor shall submit the information required by paragraph (c) to the Contracting Officer at least 15 days prior to making any permanent substitutions.
- (c) The Contractor shall provide a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed substitutions, complete resumes for the proposed substitutes, and any additional information requested by the Contracting Officer. Proposed substitutes should have comparable qualifications to those of the persons being replaced. The Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor within 15 calendar days after receipt of all required information of the decision on substitutions. This clause will be modified to reflect any approved changes of key personnel.

# H.11 PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT (EPAAR 1552.237-75) (APR 1984)

If it is established at award or subsequently becomes a contractual requirement to collect identical information from ten (10) or more public respondents, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. applies. In that event, the Contractor shall not take any action to solicit information from any of the public respondents until notified in writing by the Contracting Officer that the required Office of Management and Budget (OMB) final clearance was received.

# H.12 GOVERNMENT - CONTRACTOR RELATIONS (JUN 99) (EPAAR 1552.237-76) (JUN 1999)

(a) The Government and the Contractor understand and agree that the

services to be delivered under this contract by the contractor to the Government are non-personal services and the parties recognize and agree that no employer-employee relation-ship exists or will exist under the contract between the Government and the Contractor's personnel. It is, therefore, in the best interest of the Government to afford both parties a full understanding of their respective obligations.

- (b) Contractor personnel under this contract shall not:
- (1) Be placed in a position where they are under the supervision, direction, or evaluation of a Government employee.
- (2) Be placed in a position of command, supervision, administration or control over Government personnel, or over personnel of other Contractors under other EPA contracts, or become a part of the Government organization.
- (3) Be used in administration or supervision of Government procurement activities.
  - (C) Employee Relationship:
- (1) The services to be performed under this contract do not require the Contractor or his/her personnel to exercise personal judgment and discretion on behalf of the Government. Rather the Contractor's personnel will act and exercise personal judgment and discretion on behalf of the Contractor.
- (2) Rules, regulations, directives, and requirements that are issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under its responsibility for good order, administration, and security are applicable to all personnel who enter the Government installation or who travel on Government transportation. This is not to be construed or interpreted to establish any degree of Government control that is inconsistent with a non-personal services contract.
- (d) Inapplicability of Employee Benefits: This contract does not create an employer-employee relationship. Accordingly, entitlements and benefits applicable to such relationships do not apply.
- (1) Payments by the Government under this contract are not subject to Federal income tax withholdings.
- (2) Payments by the Government under this contract are not subject to the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.
- (3) The Contractor is not entitled to unemployment compensation benefits under the Social Security Act, as amended, by virtue of performance of this contract.
- (4) The Contractor is not entitled to workman's compensation benefits by virtue of this contract.
- (5) The entire consideration and benefits to the Contractor for performance of this contract is contained in the provisions for payment under this contract.
  - (e) Notice. It is the Contractor's, as well as, the Government's

responsibility to monitor contract activities and notify the Contracting Officer if the Contractor believes that the intent of this clause has been or may be violated.

- (1) The Contractor should notify the Contracting Officer in writing promptly, within \_\_\_ calendar days from the date of any incident that the Contractor considers to constitute a violation of this clause. The notice should include the date, nature and circumstance of the conduct, the name, function and activity of each Government employee or Contractor official or employee involved or knowledgeable about such conduct, identify any documents or substance of any oral communication involved in the conduct, and the estimate in time by which the Government must respond to this notice to minimize cost, delay or disruption of performance.
- (2) The Contracting Officer will promptly, within \_\_\_ calendar days after receipt of notice, respond to the notice in writing. In responding, the Contracting Officer will either:
- (i) confirm that the conduct is in violation and when necessary direct the mode of further performance,
  - (ii) countermand any communication regarded as a violation,
- (iii) deny that the conduct constitutes a violation and when necessary direct the mode of further performance; or
- (iv) in the event the notice is inadequate to make a decision, advise the Contractor what additional information is required, and establish the date by which it should be furnished by the Contractor and the date thereafter by which the Government will respond.

### H.13 REHABILITATION ACT NOTICE (EPAAR 1552.239-70) (OCT 2000)

- (a) EPA has a legal obligation under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791, to provide reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities who wish to attend EPA programs and activities. Under this contract, the contractor may be required to provide support in connection with EPA programs and activities, including conferences, symposia, workshops, meetings, etc. In such cases, the contractor shall, as applicable, include in its draft and final meeting announcements (or similar documents) the following notice:
  - It is EPA's policy to make reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities wishing to participate in the agency's programs and activities, pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791. Any request for accommodation should be made to the specified registration contact for a particular program or activity, preferably one month in advance of the registration deadline, so that EPA will have sufficient time to process the request.
- (b) Upon receipt of such a request for accommodation, the contractor shall immediately forward the request to the EPA contracting officer, and provide a copy to the appropriate EPA program office. The contractor may be required to provide any accommodation that EPA may approve. However, in no instance shall the contractor proceed to provide an accommodation prior to receiving written authorization from the contracting officer.

(c) The contractor shall insert in each subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder provisions that shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph, unless otherwise authorized by the contracting officer.

# H.14 IDENTIFICATION OF ON-SITE CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES (LOCAL LRT-01-01) (DEC 2001)

All Contractor, subcontractor, and consultant personnel shall wear prominently displayed identification badges at all times when performing work on EPA property or attending meetings in the performance of this contract. The badge shall contain the individual's name, the company name and logo. When participating in such meetings (e.g., as a speaker, panel member), those individuals in Contractor employ must supplement physical identification (e.g., badges, place markers) with verbal announcements so that it is clear to the assembled group that they are employees of the Contractor, not Agency staff members. In addition, when working on EPA property, all contractor, subcontractor, and consultant personnel shall have signs visible on their desks or at their work sites that clearly state that they are not EPA employees.

# PART II - CONTRACT CLAUSES

# SECTION I - CONTRACT CLAUSES

# I.1 NOTICE Listing Contract Clauses Incorporated by Reference

# NOTICE:

The following solicitation provisions and/or contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference:

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1)

NUMBER	DATE	TITLE
52.202-1	JUL 2004	DEFINITIONS
52.203-3	APR 1984	GRATUITIES
52.203-6		RESTRICTIONS ON SUBCONTRACTOR SALES TO THE
		GOVERNMENT
52.203-12	SEP 2007	LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN
		FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS
52.204-4	AUG 2000	PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON RECYCLED
		PAPER
52.204-7	APR 2008	CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION
52.204-9	SEP 2007	PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR
		PERSONNEL
52.209-6	SEP 2006	PROTECTING THE GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST WHEN
		SUBCONTRACTING WITH CONTRACTORS DEBARRED,
		SUSPENDED, OR PROPOSED FOR DEBARMENT (SEP
		2006)
52.216-31	FEB 2007	TIME-AND-MATERIALS/LABOR-HOUR PROPOSAL
		REQUIREMENTSCOMMERCIAL ITEM ACQUISITION
		(FEB 2007)
	JAN 1999	
52.222-3	JUN 2003	CONVICT LABOR
52.222-26	MAR 2007	EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (MAR 2007)
52.222-35	SEP 2006	EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR SPECIAL DISABLED
		VETERANS, VETERANS OF THE VIETNAM ERA, AND
		OTHER ELIGIBLE VETERANS (SEP 2006)
52.222-36	JUN 1998	AFFIRMATIVE ACTION FOR WORKERS WITH
		DISABILITIES
52.222-37	SEP 2006	EMPLOYMENT REPORTS ON SPECIAL DISABLED
		VETERANS, VETERANS OF THE VIETNAM ERA, AND
		OTHER ELIGIBLE VETERANS (SEP 2006)
52.223-6		DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE
52.227-14		RIGHTS IN DATAGENERAL
52.227-16		ADDITIONAL DATA REQUIREMENTS
52.232-7	F'EB 2007	PAYMENTS UNDER TIME-AND-MATERIALS AND
50 000 00	T. 1.005	LABOR-HOUR CONTRACTS
52.232-23		ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS
52.232-25	OCT 2003	PROMPT PAYMENT

52.232-33	OCT	2003	PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS
			TRANSFERCENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION
52.233-1	JUL	2002	DISPUTES
52.233-3	AUG	1996	PROTEST AFTER AWARD
52.233-4	OCT	2004	APPLICABLE LAW FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT CLAIM
52.237-3	JAN	1991	CONTINUITY OF SERVICES
52.242-13	JUL	1995	BANKRUPTCY
52.243-3	SEP	2000	CHANGESTIME-AND-MATERIALS OR LABOR-HOURS
52.246-25	FEB	1997	LIMITATION OF LIABILITYSERVICES
52.249-4	APR	1984	TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE
			GOVERNMENT (SERVICES) (SHORT FORM)

# 1.2 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS -- COMMERCIAL ITEMS (FAR 52.212-3) (NOV 2007)

An offeror shall complete only paragraph (1) of this provision if the offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically at http://orca.bpn.gov. If an offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically at the ORCA website, the offeror shall complete only paragraphs (b) through (k) of this provision.

#### (a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Emerging small business" means a small business concern whose size is no greater than 50 percent of the numerical size standard for the NAICS code designated.

"Forced or indentured child labor" means all work or service-

- (1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or
- (2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process of penalties.

"Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern"-

# (1) Means a small business concern-

- (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.
- (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

"Small business concern" means a concern, including its affiliates, that

is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR Part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

"Veteran-owned small business concern" means a small business concern-

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

"Women-owned business concern" means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the its stock is owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

"Women-owned small business concern" means a small business concern --

- (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and
- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

"Manufactured end product" means any end in Federal Supply Classes (FSC) 1000-9999, except-

- (1) FSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Federal Supply Group (FSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
- (3) FSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) FSC 89, Food and Related Consumables;
- (5) FSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) FSC 9610, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
- (7) FSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
- (8) FSC 9610, Ores;
- (9) FSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
- (10) FSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

"Place of manufacture" means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of

manufacture.

- (b) Taxpayer identification number (TIN) (26 U.S.C. 6109, 31 U.S.C. 7701). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to a central contractor registration database to be eligible for award.)
- (1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (b)(3) through (b)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M, and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).
- (2) The TIN may be used by the government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the

payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.]
(3) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).
[ ] TIN:
[ ] TIN has been applied for.
[ ] TIN is not required because:
[ ] Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;
[ ] Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;
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(4) Type of organization.
[ ] Sole proprietorship;
[ ] Partnership;
[ ] Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);
[ ] Corporate entity (tax-exempt);
[ ] Government entity (Federal, State, or local);
[ ] Foreign government;
[ ] International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4;
[ ] Other
(5) Common parent.

[ ] Offe	ror is not owned or controlled by a common parent:
[ ] Name	and TIN of common parent:
Name	
TIN _	

- (c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas. Check all that apply.
- (1)  $Small\ business\ concern.$  The offeror represents as part of its offer that it [] is, [] is not a small business concern.
- (2) Veteran-owned small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c) (1) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it [ ]is, [ ]is not a veteran-owned small business concern.
- (3) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it []is, []is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.
- (4) Small disadvantaged business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, for general statistical purposes, that it [ ]is, [ ]is not, a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002.
- (5) Women-owned small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it [ ]is, [ ]is not a women-owned small business concern.

**Note:** Complete paragraphs (c)(6) and (c)(7) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

- (6) Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern). [Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.]. The offeror represents that it []is, a women-owned business concern.
- (7) Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns. If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price:

(8) Small Business Size for the Small Business Competitiveness

Demonstration Program and for the Targeted Industry Categories under the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program. [Complete only if the offeror has represented itself to be a small business concern under the size standards for this solicitation.]

- (i) [Complete only for solicitations indicated in an addendum as being set-aside for emerging small businesses in one of the designated industry groups (DIGs).] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it [ ]is, [ ]is not an emerging small business.
- (ii) [Complete only for solicitations indicated in an addendum as being for one of the targeted industry categories (TICs) or designated industry groups (DIGs).] Offeror represents as follows:
- (A) Offeror's number of employees for the past 12 months (check the Employees column if size standard stated in the solicitation is expressed in terms of number of employees); or
- (B) Offeror's average annual gross revenue for the last 3 fiscal years (check the Average Annual Gross Number of Revenues column if size standard stated in the solicitation is expressed in terms of annual receipts).

(Check one of the following):

Number of Employees	Average Annual Gross Revenues
50 or fewer	\$1 million or less
51-100	\$1,000,001-\$2 million
101-250	\$2,000,001-\$3.5 million
251-500	\$3,500,001-\$5 million
501-750	\$5,000,001-\$10 million
751-1,000	\$10,000,001-\$17 million
Over 1,000	Over \$17 million

- (9) [Complete only if the solicitation contains the clause at FAR 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns, or FAR 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program-Disadvantaged Status and Reporting, and the offeror desires a benefit based on its disadvantaged status.]
  - (i) General. The offeror represents that either-
- (A) It [ ]is, [ ]is not certified by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern and identified, on the date of this representation, as a certified small disadvantaged business concern in the database maintained by the Small Business Administration (PRO-Net), and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification, and, where the concern is owned by one or more individuals claiming disadvantaged status, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); or
- (B) It []has, []has not submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a

small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision on that application is pending, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its application was submitted.

- (ii) [] Joint Ventures under the Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns. The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a joint venture that complies with the requirements in 13 CFR 124.1002(f) and that the representation in paragraph (c)(9)(i) of this provision is accurate for the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name of the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_.]
- (10)  $\it HUBZ$  one small business concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that--
- (i) It [ ] is, [ ] is not a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material change in ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone employee percentage has occurred since it was certified by the Small Business Administration in accordance with 13 CFR part 126; and
- (ii) It [ ] is, [ ] is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating in the joint venture:\_\_\_\_\_.] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.
- (d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order 11246 --(1) Previous contracts and compliance. The offeror represents that --
- (i) It [ ] has, [ ] has not, participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation; and
  - (ii) It [ ]has, [ ]has not, filed all required compliance reports.
  - (2) Affirmative Action Compliance. The offeror represents that --
- (i) It [ ]has developed and has on file, [ ]has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR parts 60-1 and 60-2), or
- (ii) It [ ]has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.
- (e) Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions (31  $U.s.c.\ 1352$ ). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$100,000.)

By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.

- (f) Buy American Act Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.225-1, Buy American Act--Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)
- (1) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products. The terms "component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act--Supplies."

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#### [List as necessary]

(2) Foreign End Products:

- (3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part  $25.\,$
- (g) (1) Buy American Act Free Trade Agreement -- Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American Act Free Trade Agreement Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)
- (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The terms "Bahrainian or Moroccan end product," "component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," "Free Trade Agreement country end product," "Israeli end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreement--Israeli Trade Act."

(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian or Moroccan end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act": Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian or Moroccan End Products) or Israeli End Products:

END PRODUCTS OF AUSTRALIA, CANADA, CHILE, MEXICO, OR SINGAPORE OR ISRAELI END PRODUCTS:

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(iii) The offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act-Free Trade Agreement-Israeli Trade Act." The offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products.

Other Foreign End Products:

LINE ITEM NO.	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

#### [List as necessary]

- (iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.
- (2) Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I (Jan 2004). If Alternate I to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g) (1) (ii) for paragraph (g) (1) (iii) of the basic provision:
- (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreement--Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian End Products:

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# (List as necessary)

- (3) Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II (Jan 2004). If Alternate II to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
- (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled ``Buy American Act-- Free Trade Agreement-Israeli Trade Act'':

Canadian or Israeli End Products:

LINE ITEM NO.	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

#### [List as necessary]

- (4) Trade Agreements Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)
- (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(4)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product, as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Trade Agreements."
- (ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made, designated country end products.

Other End Products

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#### [List as necessary]

(iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25. For line items covered by the WTO GPA, products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American Act. The Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to restrictions of the Buy American Act. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are

insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.

- (h) Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension or Ineligibility for Award (Executive Order 12689). (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals--
- (1) [ ]Are, [ ]are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency; and
- (2) [] Have, [] have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and
- (3) [ ]Are, [ ]are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.
- (i) Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126). [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at 22.1503(b).]
  - (1) Listed End Product

Listed End Product	Listed Countries of Origin:

- (2) Certification. [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]
- [ ] (i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i) (1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.
- [ ](ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that is has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

- (j) Place of manufacture. (Does not apply unless the solicitaion is predominantly for the acquisition of manufactured end products.) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly -
- (1) [ ] In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or
  - (2) [ ] Outside the United States.
- (k) Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Act. (Certification by the offeror as to its compliance with respect to the contract also constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.) [The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k) (1) or (k) (2) applies.]
  - (1) [ ] Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR 22.1003-4(c)(1). The offeror [ ] does [ ] does not certify that—
    - 1. (i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the offeror in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;
    - (ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(c)(2)(ii)) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and
    - (iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.
    - (2) [ ] Certain services as described in FAR 22.1003-4 (d) (1). The offeror [ ] does [ ] does not certify that—
      - (i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;
      - (ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4 (d) (2) (iii));
      - (iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of

available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and

- (iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.
- (3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies-
  - (i) If the offeror does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k) (1) or (k) (2) and the Contracting Officer did not attach a Service Contract Act wage determination to the solicitation, the offeror shall notify the Contracting Officer as soon as possible; and
  - (ii) The Contracting Officer may not make an award to the offeror if the offeror fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k) (1) or (k) (2) of this clause or to contact the Contracting Officer as required in paragraph (k) (3) (i) of this clause.

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- (1) Annual Representations and Certifications. Any changes provided by the offeror in paragraph (1)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications posted on the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA) website.
- (2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the ORCA website at http://orca.bpn.gov. After reviewing the ORCA database information, the offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representation and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and certifications-Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except \_\_. [Offeror to identify the applicable for paragraphs paragraphs at (b) through (k) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer. Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on ORCA.]

(End of provision)

# I.3 NOTIFICATION OF OWNERSHIP CHANGES (FAR 52.215-19) (OCT 1997)

- (a) The Contractor shall make the following notifications in writing:
- (1) When the Contractor becomes aware that a change in its ownership has occurred, or is certain to occur, that could result in changes in the valuation of its capitalized assets in the accounting records, the Contractor shall notify the Administrative Contracting Officer (ACO) within 30 days.
- (2) The Contractor shall also notify the ACO within 30 days whenever changes to asset valuations or any other cost changes have occurred or are certain to occur as a result of a change in ownership.
  - (b) The Contractor shall--
- (1) Maintain current, accurate, and complete inventory records of assets and their costs;
- (2) Provide the ACO or designated representative ready access to the records upon request;
- (3) Ensure that all individual and grouped assets, their capitalized values, accumulated depreciation or amortization, and remaining useful lives are identified accurately before and after each of the Contractor's ownership changes; and
- (4) Retain and continue to maintain depreciation and amortization schedules based on the asset records maintained before each Contractor ownership change.
- (c) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in all subcontracts under this contract that meet the applicability requirement of FAR 15.408(k).

# I.4 ORDER LIMITATIONS (FAR 52.216-19) (OCT 1995)

- (a) Minimum order. When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount of less than \$3,000, the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish, those supplies or services under the contract.
  - (b) Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor--
    - (1) Any order for a single item in excess of to be determined;
    - (2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of to be determined;
- (3) A series of orders from the same ordering office within five (5) days that together call for quantities exceeding the limitation in subparagraph (1) or (2) above.
- (c) If this is a requirements contract (i.e., includes the Requirements clause at subsection 52.216-21 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation ), the Government is not required to order a part of any one requirement from the Contractor if that requirement exceeds the maximum-order limitations in paragraph (b) above.
  - (d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c) above, the Contractor shall honor

any order exceeding the maximum order limitations in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within \_\_\_\_\_ days after issuance, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.

### I.5 INDEFINITE QUANTITY (FAR 52.216-22) (OCT 1995)

- (a) This is an indefinite-quantity contract for the supplies or services specified, and effective for the period stated, in the Schedule. The quantities of supplies and services specified in the Schedule are estimates only and are not purchased by this contract.
- (b) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the Ordering clause. The Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when and if ordered, the supplies or services specified in the Schedule up to and including the quantity designated in the Schedule as the "maximum." The Government shall order at least the quantity of supplies or services designated in the Schedule as the "minimum."
- (c) Except for any limitations on quantities in the Order Limitations clause or in the Schedule, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The Government may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations.
- (d) Any order issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and Government's rights and obligations with respect to that order to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's effective period; provided, that the Contractor shall not be required to make any deliveries under this contract after 180 days beyond the expiration date of the contract.

#### I.6 OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES (FAR 52.217-8) (NOV 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within 60 days of contract expiration.

### I.7 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (FAR 52.217-9) (MAR 2000)

- (a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within thirty (30) days of contract expiration; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least sixty (60)days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.
- (b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

(c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed sixty (60) months.

#### I.8 UTILIZATION OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS (FAR 52.219-8) (MAY 2004)

- (a) It is the policy of the United States that small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, and women-owned small business concerns shall have the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in performing contracts let by any Federal agency, including contracts and subcontracts for subsystems, assemblies, components, and related services for major systems. It is further the policy of the United States that its prime contractors establish procedures to ensure the timely payment of amounts due pursuant to the terms of their subcontracts with small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, and women-owned small business concerns.
- (b) The Contractor hereby agrees to carry out this policy in the awarding of subcontracts to the fullest extent consistent with efficient contract performance. The Contractor further agrees to cooperate in any studies or surveys as may be conducted by the United States Small Business Administration or the awarding agency of the United States as may be necessary to determine the extent of the Contractor's compliance with this clause.
  - (c) Definitions. As used in this contract--

"HUBZone small business concern" means a small business concern that appears on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration.

"Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern" --

- (1) Means a small business concern--
- (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.
- (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

"Small business concern" means a small business as defined pursuant to Section 3 of the Small Business  ${\tt Act}$  and relevant regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

"Small disadvantaged business concern" means a small business concern that represents, as part of its offer that—  $\phantom{a}$ 

- (1) It has received certification as a small disadvantaged business concern consistent with 13 CFR part 124, subpart B;
- (2) No material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification;
- (3) Where the concern is owned by one or more individuals, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104 (c) (2); and
- (4) It is identified, on the date of its representation, as a certified small disadvantaged business in the database maintained by the Small Business Administration (PRO-Net).

"Veteran-owned small business concern" means a small business concern-

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

"Women-owned small business concern" means a small business concern--

- (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women, or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and
- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.
- (d) Contractors acting in good faith may rely on written representations by their subcontractors regarding their status as a small business concern, a veteran-owned small business concern, a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern, a HUBZone small business concern, a small disadvantaged business concern, or a women-owned small business concern.

# I.9 SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (FAR 52.219-9) (APR 2008)

- (a) This clause does not apply to small business concerns.
- (b) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Alaska Native Corporation (ANC)" means any Regional Corporation, Village Corporation, Urban Corporation, or Group Corporation organized under the laws of the State of Alaska in accordance with the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1601, et seq.) And which is considered a minority and economically disadvantaged concern under the criteria at 43 U.S.C. 1626(e)(1). This definition also includes ANC direct and indirect subsidiary corporations, joint ventures, and partnerships that meet the requirements of 43 U.S.C. 1626(e)(2).

"Commercial item" means a product or service that satisfies the definition  $\ensuremath{\text{commercial}}$ 

of commercial item in section 2.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

"Commercial plan" means a subcontracting plan (including goals) that covers the offeror's fiscal year and that applies to the entire production of commercial items sold by either the entire company or a portion thereof (e.g., division, plant, or product line).

"Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS)" means the Governmentwide, electronic, web-based system for small business subcontracting program reporting. The eSRS is located at http://www.esrs.gov.

"Indian tribe" means any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community, including native villages and native groups (including corporations organized by Kenai, Juneau, Sitka, and Kodiak) as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C.A. 1601 et seq.), that is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs in accordance with 25 U.S.C. 1452(c). This definition also includes Indian-owned economic enterprises that meet the requirements of 25 U.S.C. 1452(e).

"Individual contract plan" means a subcontracting plan that covers the entire contract period (including option periods), applies to a specific contract, and has goals that are based on the offeror's planned subcontracting in support of the specific contract, except that indirect costs incurred for common or joint purposes may be allocated on a prorated basis to the contract.

"Master plan" means a subcontracting plan that contains all the required elements of an individual contract plan, except goals, and may be incorporated into individual contract plans, provided the master plan has been approved.

"Subcontract" means any agreement (other than one involving an employer-employee relationship) entered into by a Federal Government prime Contractor or subcontractor calling for supplies or services required for performance of the contract or subcontract.

- (c) The offeror, upon request by the Contracting Officer, shall submit and negotiate a subcontracting plan, where applicable, that separately addresses subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business and women-owned small business concerns. If the offeror is submitting an individual contract plan, the plan must separately address subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns, with a separate part for the basic contract and separate parts for each option (if any). The plan shall be included in and made a part of the resultant contract. The subcontracting plan shall be negotiated within the time specified by the Contracting Officer. Failure to submit and negotiate the subcontracting plan shall make the offeror ineligible for award of a contract.
  - (d) The offeror's subcontracting plan shall include the following:
- (1) Goals, expressed in terms of percentages of total planned subcontracting dollars, for the use of small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business

concerns as subcontractors. The offeror shall include all subcontracts that contribute to contract performance, and may include a proportionate share of products and services that are normally allocated as indirect costs. In accordance with 43 U.S.C. 1626:

- (i) Subcontracts awarded to an ANC or Indian tribe shall be counted towards the subcontracting goals for small business and small disadvantaged business (SDB) concerns, regardless of the size or Small Business Administration certification status of the ANC or Indian tribe.
- (ii) Where one or more subcontractors are in the subcontract tier between the prime contractor and the ANC or Indian tribe, the ANC or Indian tribe shall designate the appropriate contractor(s) to count the subcontract towards its small business and small disadvantaged business contracting goals.
- (A) In most cases, the appropriate Contractor is the Contractor that awarded the subcontract to the ANC or Indian tribe.
- (B) If the ANC or Indian tribe designates more than one Contractor to count the subcontract towards its goals, the ANC or Indian tribe shall designate only a portion of the total subcontract award to each Contractor. The sum of the amounts designated to various Contractors cannot exceed the total value of the subcontract.
- (C) The ANC or Indian tribe shall give a copy of the written designation to the Contracting Officer, the prime Contractor, and the subcontractors in between the prime Contractor and the ANC or Indian tribe within 30 days of the date of the subcontract award.
- (D) If the Contracting Officer does not receive a copy of the ANC's or the Indian tribe's written designation within 30 days of the subcontract award, the Contractor that awarded the subcontract to the ANC or Indian tribe will be considered the designated Contractor.

### (2) A statement of-

- (i) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted for an individual contract plan; or the offeror's total projected sales, expressed in dollars, and the total value of projected subcontracts to support the sales for a commercial plan;
- (ii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to small business concerns (including ANC and Indian tribes);
- (iii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to veteran-owned small business concerns;
- (iv) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to service-disabled veteran-owned small business
- (v) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to  ${\tt HUBZone}$  small business concerns;
- (vi) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to small disadvantaged business concerns (including ANCs and Indian tribes); and

- $\,$  (vii) Total dollars planned to be subcontracted to women-owned small business concerns.
- (3) A description of the principal types of supplies and services to be subcontracted, and an identification of the types planned for subcontracting to--
  - (i) Small business concerns;
  - (ii) Veteran-owned small business concerns;
  - (iii) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns;
  - (iv) HUBZone small business concerns;
  - (v) Small disadvantaged business concerns; and
  - (vi) Women-owned small business concerns.
- (4) A description of the method used to develop the subcontracting goals in paragraph (d)(1) of this clause.
- (5) A description of the method used to identify potential sources for solicitation purposes (e.g., existing company source lists, the Central Contractor Registration database (CCR), veterans service organizations, the National Minority Purchasing Council Vendor Information Service, the Research and Information Division of the Minority Business Development Agency in the Department of Commerce, or small, HUBZone, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business trade associations). A firm may rely on the information contained in CCR as an accurate representation of a concern's size and ownership characteristics for the purposes of maintaining a small, veteran-owned small, service-disabled veteran-owned small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business source list. Use of CCR as its source list does not relieve a firm of its responsibilities (e.g., outreach, assistance, counseling, or publicizing subcontracting opportunities) in this clause.
- (6) A statement as to whether or not the offeror included indirect costs in establishing subcontracting goals, and a description of the method used to determine the proportionate share of indirect costs to be incurred with--
  - (i) Small business concerns (including ANC and Indian tribes);
  - (ii) Veteran-owned small business concerns;
  - (iii) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns;
  - (iv) HUBZone small business concerns;
  - (v) Small disadvantaged business concerns; (including ANC and Indian tribes); and
  - (vi) Women-owned small business concerns.
- (7) The name of the individual employed by the offeror who will administer the offeror's subcontracting program, and a description of the duties of the individual.
- (8) A description of the efforts the offeror will make to assure that small, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged and women-owned small business concerns have an equitable opportunity to compete for subcontracts.

- (9) Assurances that the offeror will include the clause in this contract entitled "Utilization of Small Business Concerns" in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities, and that the offeror will require all subcontractors (except small business concerns) that receive subcontracts in excess of \$550,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility with further subcontracting possibilities) to adopt a subcontracting plan that complies with the requirements of this clause.
  - (10) Assurances that the offeror will--
    - (i) Cooperate in any studies or surveys as may be required;
- (ii) Submit periodic reports so that the Government can determine the extent of compliance by the offeror with the subcontracting plan;
- (iii) Submit the Individual Subcontract Report (ISR) and/or Summary Subcontract Report (SSR), in accordance with paragraph (1) of this clause using the Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS) at http://www.esrs.gov. The reports shall provide information on subcontract awards to small business concerns, veteran-owned small business concerns, service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns, HUBZONE small business concerns, small disadvantaged business concerns, women-owned small business concerns, and Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions. Reporting shall be in accordance with this clause, or as provided in agency regulations;
- (iv) Ensure that its subcontractors with subcontracting plans agree to submit ISR and/or the SSR using eSRS;
- (v) Provide its prime contract number, its DUNS number, and the e-mail address of the Government or Contractor official responsible for acknowledging or rejecting the reports, to all first-tier subcontractors with subcontracting plans so they can enter this information into the eSRS when submitting their reports; and
- (vi) Require that each subcontractor with a subcontracting plan provide the prime contract number, its DUNS number, and the e-mail address of the Government or Contractor official responsible for acknowledging or rejecting the reports, to its subcontractors with subcontracting plans.
- (11) A description of the types of records that will be maintained concerning procedures that have been adopted to comply with the requirements and goals in the plan, including establishing source lists; and a description of the offeror's efforts to locate small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns and award subcontracts to them. The records shall include at least the following (on a plant-wide or company-wide basis, unless otherwise indicated):
- (i) Source lists (e.g., CCR), guides, and other data that identify small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns.
  - (ii) Organizations contacted in an attempt to locate sources that

are small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, or women-owned small business concerns.

- (iii) Records on each subcontract solicitation resulting in an award of more than \$100,000, indicating--
- $\hbox{(A) Whether small business concerns were solicited and, if not,}\\$  why not;
- (B) Whether veteran-owned small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
- (C) Whether service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
- (D) Whether HUBZone small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
- (E) Whether small disadvantaged business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not;
- $\mbox{\ensuremath{(F)}}$  Whether women-owned small business concerns were solicited and, if not, why not; and
- (G) If applicable, the reason award was not made to a small business concern.
  - (iv) Records of any outreach efforts to contact--
    - (A) Trade associations;
    - (B) Business development organizations;
- (C) Conferences and trade fairs to locate small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business sources; and
  - (D) Veterans service organizations.
- (v) Records of internal guidance and encouragement provided to buyers through--  $\,$ 
  - (A) Workshops, seminars, training, etc.; and
- (B) Monitoring performance to evaluate compliance with the program's requirements.
- (vi) On a contract-by-contract basis, records to support award data submitted by the offeror to the Government, including the name, address, and business size of each subcontractor. Contractors having commercial plans need not comply with this requirement.
- (e) In order to effectively implement this plan to the extent consistent with efficient contract performance, the Contractor shall perform the following functions:

- (1) Assist small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns by arranging solicitations, time for the preparation of bids, quantities, specifications, and delivery schedules so as to facilitate the participation by such concerns. Where the Contractor's lists of potential small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business subcontractors are excessively long, reasonable effort shall be made to give all such small business concerns an opportunity to compete over a period of time.
- (2) Provide adequate and timely consideration of the potentialities of small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business concerns in all "make-or-buy" decisions.
- (3) Counsel and discuss subcontracting opportunities with representatives of small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business, small disadvantaged business, and women-owned small business firms.
- (4) Confirm that a subcontractor representing itself as a HUBZone small business concern is identified as a certified HUBZone small business concern by accessing the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database or by contacting SBA.
- (5) Provide notice to subcontractors concerning penalties and remedies for misrepresentations of business status as small, veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, or women-owned small business for the purpose of obtaining a subcontract that is to be included as part or all of a goal contained in the Contractor's subcontracting plan.
- (f) A master plan on a plant or division-wide basis that contains all the elements required by paragraph (d) of this clause, except goals, may be incorporated by reference as a part of the subcontracting plan required of the offeror by this clause; provided--
  - (1) the master plan has been approved,
- (2) the offeror ensures that the master plan is updated as necessary and provides copies of the approved master plan, including evidence of its approval, to the Contracting Officer, and
- (3) goals and any deviations from the master plan deemed necessary by the Contracting Officer to satisfy the requirements of this contract are set forth in the individual subcontracting plan.
- (g) A commercial plan is the preferred type of subcontracting plan for contractors furnishing commercial items. The commercial plan shall relate to the offeror's planned subcontracting generally, for both commercial and Government business, rather than solely to the Government contract. Once the Contractor's commercial plan has been approved, the Government will not require another subcontracting plan from the same Contractor while the plan remains in effect, as long as the product or service being provided by the Contractor continues to meet the definition of a commercial item. A

Contractor with a commercial plan shall comply with the reporting requirements stated in paragraph (d)(10) of this clause by submitting one SSR in eSRS for all contracts covered by its commercial plan. This report shall be acknowledged or rejected in eSRS by the Contracting Officer who approved the plan. This report shall be submitted within 30 days after the end of the Government's fiscal year.

- (h) Prior compliance of the offeror with other such subcontracting plans under previous contracts will be considered by the Contracting Officer in determining the responsibility of the offeror for award of the contract.
- (i) A contract may have no more than one plan. When a modification meets the criteria in 19.702 for a plan, or an option is exercised, the goals associated with the modification or option shall be added to those in the existing subcontract plan.
- (j) Subcontracting plans are not required from subcontractors when the prime contract contains the clause at 52.212-5, Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders-Commercial Items, or when the subcontractor provides a commercial item subject to the clause at 52.244-6, Subcontracts for Commercial Items, under a prime contract.
- (k) The failure of the Contractor or subcontractor to comply in good faith with--
- (1) the clause of this contract entitled "Utilization Of Small Business Concerns;" or
- (2) an approved plan required by this clause, shall be a material breach of the contract.
- (1) The Contractor shall submit ISRs and SSRs using the web-based eSRS at http://www.esrs.gov. Purchases from a corporation, company, or subdivision that is an affiliate of the prime Contractor or subcontractor are not included in these reports. Subcontract award data reported by prime Contractors and subcontractors shall be limited to awards made to their immediate next-tier subcontractors. Credit cannot be taken for awards made to lower tier subcontractors, unless the Contractor or subcontractor has been designated to receive a small business or small disadvantaged business credit from an ANC or Indian tribe.
- (1) ISR. This report is not required for commercial plans. The report is required for each contract containing an individual subcontract plan and shall be submitted to the Administrative Contracting Officer (ACO) or Contracting Officer, if no ACO is assigned.
- (i) The report shall be submitted semi-annually during contract performance for the periods ending March 31 and September 30. A report is also required for each contract within 30 days of contract completion. Reports are due 30 days after the close of each reporting period, unless otherwise directed by the Contracting Officer. Reports are required when due, regardless of whether there has been any subcontracting activity since the inception of the contract or the previous reporting period.
- (ii) When a subcontracting plan contains separate goals for the basic contract and each option, as prescribed by FAR 19.704(c), the dollar goal inserted on this report shall be the sum of the base period through the current option; for example, for a report submitted after the second option is

exercised, the dollar goal would be the sum of the goals for the basic contract, the first option, and the second option.

- (iii) The authority to acknowledge receipt or reject the ISR resides-
- (A) In the case of the prime Contractor, with the Contracting Officer; and  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right)$
- (B) In the case of a subcontract with a subcontracting plan, with the entity that awarded the subcontract.
  - (2) SSR.
    - (i) Reports submitted under individual contract plans-
- (A) This report encompasses all subcontracting under prime contracts and subcontracts with the awarding agency, regardless of the dollar value of the subcontracts.
- (B) The report may be submitted on a corporate, company or subdivision (e.g. plant or division operating as a separate profit center) basis, unless otherwise directed by the agency.
- (C) If a prime Contractor and/or subcontractor is performing work for more than one executive agency, a separate report shall be submitted to each executive agency covering only that agency's contracts, provided at least one of that agency's contracts is over \$550,000 (over \$1,000,000 for construction of a public facility) and contains a subcontracting plan. For DoD, a consolidated report shall be submitted for all contracts awarded by military departments/agencies and/or subcontracts awarded by DoD prime Contractors. However, for construction and related maintenance and repair, a separate report shall be submitted for each DoD component.
- (D) For DoD and NASA, the report shall be submitted semi-annually for the six months ending March 31 and the twelve months ending September 30. For civilian agencies, except NASA, it shall be submitted annually for the twelve month period ending September 30. Reports are due 30 days after the close of each reporting period.
- (E) Subcontract awards that are related to work for more than one executive agency shall be appropriately allocated.
- (F) The authority to acknowledge or reject SSRs in eSRS, including SSRs submitted by subcontractors with subcontracting plans, resides with the Government agency awarding the prime contracts.
  - (ii) Reports submitted under a commercial plan-
- (A) The report shall include all subcontract awards under the commercial plan in effect during the Government's fiscal year.
- (B) The report shall be submitted annually, within thirty days after the end of the Government's fiscal year.
- (C) If a Contractor has a commercial plan and is performing work for more than one executive agency, the Contractor shall specify the percentage of dollars attributable to each agency from which contracts for commercial items were received.
- (D) The authority to acknowledge or reject SSRs for commercial plans resides with the Contracting Officer who approved the commercial plan.
- (iii) All reports submitted at the close of each fiscal year (both individual and commercial plans) shall include a Year-End Supplementary Report for Small Disadvantaged Businesses. The report shall include subcontract awards, in whole dollars, to small disadvantaged business concerns by North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Industry Subsector. If the data are not available when the year-end SSR is submitted, the prime Contractor and/or subcontractor shall submit the Year-End Supplementary Report

for Small Disadvantaged Businesses within 90 days of submitting the year-end SSR. For a commercial plan, the Contractor may obtain from each of its subcontractors a predominant NAICS Industry Subsector and report all awards to that subcontractor under its predominant NAICS Industry Subsector.

#### I.10 PROHIBITION OF SEGREGATED FACILITIES (FAR 52.222-21) (FEB 1999)

- (a) "Segregated facilities," as used in this clause, means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees, that are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin because of written or oral policies or employee custom. The term does not include separate or single-user rest rooms or necessary dressing or sleeping areas provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
- (b) The Contractor agrees that it does not and will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does not and will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Contractor agrees that a breach of this clause is a violation of the Equal Opportunity clause in this contract.
- (c) The Contractor shall include this clause in every subcontract and purchase order that is subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this contract.

# I.11 NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE RIGHTS CONCERNING PAYMENT OF UNION DUES OR FEES (DEC 2004) (FAR 52.222-39) (DEC 2004)

(a) Definition. As used in this clause--

"United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Wake Island.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this clause, during the term of this contract, the Contractor shall post a notice, in the form of a poster, informing employees of their rights concerning union membership and payment of union dues and fees, in conspicuous places in and about all its plants and offices, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted. The notice shall include the following information (except that the information pertaining to National Labor Relations Board shall not be included in notices posted in the plants or offices of carriers subject to the Railway Labor Act, as amended (45 U.S.C. 151-188)).

Notice to Employees

Under Federal law, employees cannot be required to join a union or maintain membership in a union in order to retain their jobs. Under certain conditions, the law permits a union and an employer to enter into a union-security agreement requiring employees to pay uniform periodic dues and initiation fees. However, employees who are not union

members can object to the use of their payments for certain purposes and can only be required to pay their share of union costs relating to collective bargaining, contract administration, and grievance adjustment.

If you do not want to pay that portion of dues or fees used to support

activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you are entitled to an appropriate reduction in your payment. If you believe that you have been required to pay dues or fees used in part to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you may be entitled to a refund and to an appropriate reduction in future payments.

For further information concerning your rights, you may wish to contact the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) either at one of its Regional offices or at the following address or toll free number:

National Labor Relations Board
Division of Information
1099 14th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20570
1-866-667-6572
1-866-316-6572 (TTY)
To locate the nearest NLRB office, see NLRB's website at http://www.nlrb.gov

- (c) The Contractor shall comply with all provisions of Executive Order 13201 of February 17, 2001, and related implementing regulations at 29 CFR Part 470, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (d) In the event that the Contractor does not comply with any of the requirements set forth in paragraphs (b), (c), or (g), the Secretary may direct that this contract be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and declare the Contractor ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures at 29 CFR part 470, Subpart B--Compliance Evaluations, Complaint Investigations and Enforcement Procedures. Such other sanctions or remedies may be imposed as are provided by 29 CFR Part 470, which implements Executive Order 13201, or as are otherwise provided by law.
- (e) The requirement to post the employee notice in paragraph (b) does not apply to-  $\,$ 
  - (1) Contractors and subcontractors that employ fewer than 15 persons;
  - (2) Contractor establishments or construction work sites where no union has been formally recognized by the Contractor or certified as the exclusive bargaining representative of the Contractor's employees;
  - (3) Contractor establishments or construction work sites located in a jurisdiction named in the definition of the United States in which the law of that jurisdiction forbids enforcement of union-security agreements;
  - (4) Contractor facilities where upon the written request of the

Contractor, the Department of Labor Deputy Assistant Secretary for Labor-Management Programs has waived the posting requirements with respect to any of the Contractor's facilities if the Deputy Assistant Secretary finds that the Contractor has demonstrated that--

- (i) The facility is in all respects separate and distinct from activities of the Contractor related to the performance of a contract; and
- (ii) Such a waiver will not interfere with or impede the effectuation of the Executive order; or
- (5) Work outside the United States that does not involve the recruitment or employment of workers within the United States.
- (f) The Department of Labor publishes the official employee notice in two variations; one for contractors covered by the Railway Labor Act and a second for all other contractors. The Contractor shall-
  - (1) Obtain the required employee notice poster from the Division of Interpretations and Standards, Office of Labor-Management Standards, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-5605, Washington, DC 20210, or from any field office of the Department's Office of Labor-Management Standards or Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs;
  - (2) Download a copy of the poster from the Office of Labor-Management Standards website at http://www.olms.dol.gov; or
  - (3) Reproduce and use exact duplicate copies of the Department of Labor's official poster.
- (g) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order that exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold, entered into in connection with this contract, unless exempted by the Department of Labor Deputy Assistant Secretary for Labor-Management Programs on account of special circumstances in the national interest under authority of 29 CFR 470.3(c). For indefinite quantity subcontracts, the Contractor shall include the substance of this clause if the value of orders in any calendar year of the subcontract is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold. Pursuant to 29 CFR Part 470, Subpart B--Compliance Evaluations, Complaint Investigations and Enforcement Procedures, the Secretary of Labor may direct the Contractor to take such action in the enforcement of these regulations, including the imposition of sanctions for noncompliance with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order. If the Contractor becomes involved in litigation with a subcontractor or vendor, or is threatened with such involvement, as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the United States, through the Secretary of Labor, to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

(End of Clause)

# I.12 SUBCONTRACTS (JUNE 2007) (FAR 52.244-2) (JUN 2007)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause--

"Approved purchasing system" means a Contractor's purchasing system that has been reviewed and approved in accordance with Part 44 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

"Consent to subcontract" means the Contracting Officer's written consent for the Contractor to enter into a particular subcontract.

"Subcontract" means any contract, as defined in FAR Subpart 2.1, entered into by a subcontractor to furnish supplies or services for performance of the prime contract or a subcontract. It includes, but is not limited to, purchase orders, and changes and modifications to purchase orders.

- (b) When this clause is included in a fixed-price type contract, consent to subcontract is required only on unpriced contract actions (including unpriced modifications or unpriced delivery orders), and only if required in accordance with paragraph (c) or (d) of this clause.
- (c) If the Contractor does not have an approved purchasing system, consent to subcontract is required for any subcontract that--
- (1) Is of the cost-reimbursement, time-and-materials, or labor-hour type; or
  - (2) Is fixed-price and exceeds--
- (i) For a contract awarded by the Department of Defense, the Coast Guard, or the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the greater of the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract; or
- (ii) For a contract awarded by a civilian agency other than the Coast Guard and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, either the simplified acquisition threshold or 5 percent of the total estimated cost of the contract.
- (d) If the Contractor has an approved purchasing system, the Contractor nevertheless shall obtain the Contracting Officer's written consent before placing the following subcontracts:

Contracting Officer's written consent is NOT required, however, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer of changes/additions to subcontractors.

- (e) (1) The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer reasonably in advance of placing any subcontract or modification thereof for which consent is required under paragraph (b), (c), or (d) of this clause, including the following information:
  - (i) A description of the supplies or services to be subcontracted.
  - (ii) Identification of the type of subcontract to be used.
  - (iii) Identification of the proposed subcontractor.
  - (iv) The proposed subcontract price.

- (v) The subcontractor's current, complete, and accurate cost or pricing data and Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, if required by other contract provisions.
- (vi) The subcontractor's Disclosure Statement or Certificate relating to Cost Accounting Standards when such data are required by other provisions of this contract.
  - (vii) A negotiation memorandum reflecting--
    - (A) The principal elements of the subcontract price negotiations;
- (B) The most significant considerations controlling establishment of initial or revised prices;
- (C) The reason cost or pricing data were or were not required; (D) The extent, if any, to which the Contractor did not rely on the subcontractor's cost or pricing data in determining the price objective and in negotiating the final price;
- (E) The extent to which it was recognized in the negotiation that the subcontractor's cost or pricing data were not accurate, complete, or current; the action taken by the Contractor and the subcontractor; and the effect of any such defective data on the total price negotiated;
- (F) The reasons for any significant difference between the Contractor's price objective and the price negotiated; and
- (G) A complete explanation of the incentive fee or profit plan when incentives are used. The explanation shall identify each critical performance element, management decisions used to quantify each incentive element, reasons for the incentives, and a summary of all trade-off possibilities considered.
- (2) The Contractor is not required to notify the Contracting Officer in advance of entering into any subcontract for which consent is not required under paragraph (b), (c), or (d) of this clause.
- (f) Unless the consent or approval specifically provides otherwise, neither consent by the Contracting Officer to any subcontract nor approval of the Contractor's purchasing system shall constitute a determination--
  - (1) Of the acceptability of any subcontract terms or conditions;
  - (2) Of the allowability of any cost under this contract; or
- (3) To relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for performing this contract.
- (g) No subcontract or modification thereof placed under this contract shall provide for payment on a cost-plus-a-percentage-of- cost basis, and any fee payable under cost-reimbursement type subcontracts shall not exceed the fee limitations in FAR 15.404-4 (c) (4) (i).
- (h) The Contractor shall give the Contracting Officer immediate written notice of any action or suit filed and prompt notice of any claim made against

the Contractor by any subcontractor or vendor that, in the opinion of the Contractor, may result in litigation related in any way to this contract, with respect to which the Contractor may be entitled to reimbursement from the Government.

- (i) The Government reserves the right to review the Contractor's purchasing system as set forth in FAR Subpart 44.3.
- (j) Paragraphs (c) and (e) of this clause do not apply to the following subcontracts, which were evaluated during negotiations:

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### I.13 SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS (FAR 52.244-6) (MAR 2007)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause--

"Commercial item" has the meaning contained in Federal Acquisition Regulation 2.101, Definitions.

"Subcontract" includes a transfer of commercial items between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the Contractor or subcontractor at any tier.

- (b) To the maximum extent practicable, the Contractor shall incorporate, and require its subcontractors at all tiers to incorporate, commercial items or nondevelopmental items as components of items to be supplied under this contract.
- (c)(1) The Contractor shall insert the following clauses in subcontracts for commercial items:
- (i) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (May 2004) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2)(3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceed \$550,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
  - (ii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).
- (iii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (Sep 2006) (38 U.S.C. 4212(a));
- (iv) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (v) 52.222-39, Notification of Employee Rights Concerning Payment of Union Dues or Fees (Dec 2004) (E.O. 13201). (Flow down a required in accordance with paragraph (g) of FAR clause 52.222-39.)
- (vi) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (FEB 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241 and 10 U.S.C. 2631) (flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64).

- (2) While not required, the Contractor may flow down to subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.
- (d) The Contractor shall include the terms of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in subcontracts awarded under this contract.

### I.14 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FAR 52.252-2) (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

http://www.arnet.gov/far/

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[ Insert one or more Internet addresses ]

### I.15 AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN CLAUSES (FAR 52.252-6) (APR 1984)

- (a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "DEVIATION" after the date of the clause.
- (b) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Environmental Protection Agency (48 CFR Chapter 15) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "DEVIATION" after the name of the regulation.

# I.16 EXECUTIVE ORDER 13201 - NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE RIGHTS CONCERNING PAYMENT OF UNION DUES OR FEES, 29 CFR PART 470 (EP-S 04-02) (APR 2004)

1. During the term of this contract, the contractor agrees to post a notice, of such size and in such form as the Secretary of Labor will prescribe, in conspicuous places in and about its plants and offices, including all places in and about its plants and offices, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted. The notice must include the following information (except that the last two sentences must not be included in notices posted in the plants or offices of carriers subject to the Railway Labor Act, as amended (45 U.S.C. 151-188)).

## NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

Under Federal law, employees cannot be required to join a union or maintain membership in a union in order to retain their jobs. Under certain conditions, the law permits a union and an employer to enter into a union-security agreement requiring employees to pay uniform period dues and initiation fees. However, employees who are not union members can object to the use of their payments for certain purposes and can only be required to pay their share of union costs relating to collective bargaining, contract administration, and grievance adjustments.

If you do not want to pay that portion of dues or fees used to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you are entitled to an appropriate reduction in your payment. If you believe that you have been required to pay dues or fees used in part to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you may be entitled to a refund and to an appropriate reduction in future payments.

For further information concerning your rights, you may wish to contact the National Labor Relations Board (NRLB) either at one of its Regional offices or at the following address or toll-free number: National Labor Relations Board, Division of Information, 1099 14th Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20570, 1-866-667-6572, 1-866-315-6572 (TTY).

To locate the nearest NRLB office, see NLRB's website at http://www.nrlb.gov.

- 2. The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 13201 of February 17, 2001, and related rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- 3. In the event that the contractor does not comply with any of the requirements set forth in paragraphs (1) or (2) above, this contract may be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in or adopted pursuant to Executive Order 13201 of February 17, 2001. Such other sanctions or remedies may be imposed as are provided in Executive Order 13201 of February 17, 2001, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as are otherwise provided by law.
- 4. The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (4) herein in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in connection with this contract unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the the Secretary of the Labor issued pursuant to section 3 of Executive Order 13201 of February 17, 2001, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any such subcontractor or purchase order as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions, including the imposition of sanctions for noncompliance: However, if the contractor becomes involved in litigation with a subcontractor or vendor, or is threatened with such involvement, as a result of such direction, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

## PART III - LIST OF DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

## SECTION J - LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

## J.1 LIST OF ATTACHMENTS (EP 52.252-100) (APR 1984)

Number	Attachment Title
1	Statement of Work
2	PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS
3	CLIENT AUTHORIZATION LETTER
4	PAST PERFORMANCE QUESTIONNAIRE
5	INVOICING INSTRUCTIONS

### PART IV - REPRESENTATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

### SECTION K - REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

# K.1 CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REGARDING PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (SEP 2005) (FAR 52.203-11) (SEP 2007)

- (a) Definitions. As used in this provision—"Lobbying contact" has the meaning provided at 2 U.S.C. 1602(8). The terms "agency," "influencing or attempting to influence," "officer or employee of an agency," "person," "reasonable compensation," and "regularly employed" are defined in the FAR clause of this solicitation entitled "Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions" (52.203-12).
- (b) Prohibition. The prohibition and exceptions contained in the FAR clause of this solicitation entitled "Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions" (52.203-12) are hereby incorporated by reference in this provision.
- (c) Certification. The offeror, by signing its offer, hereby certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress on its behalf in connection with the awarding of this contract.
- (d) Disclosure. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.
- (e) Penalty. Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure required to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000, and not more than \$100,000, for each such failure.

### K.2 ANNUAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (FAR 52.204-8) (JAN 2006)

- (a)(1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is 541620.
  - (2) The small business size standard is \$6.5 million.

- (3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.
- (b)(1) If the clause at 52.204-7, Central Contractor Registration, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (c) of this provision applies.
- (2) If the clause at 52.204-7 is not included in this solicitation, and the offeror is currently registered in CCR, and has completed the ORCA electronically, the offeror may choose to use paragraph (c) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certifications in the solicitation. The offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:
  - [ ](i) Paragraph (c) applies.
  - $[\ ]$  (ii) Paragraph (c) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.
- (c) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA) website at http://orca.bpn.gov. After reviewing the ORCA database information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201); except for the changes identified below [offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date]. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

## FAR Clause # Title Date Change

\_\_\_\_Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on ORCA.

# K.3 ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION (EPAAR 1552.209-72) (APR 1984)

The offeror [ ] is [ ] is not aware of any information bearing on the existence of any potential organizational conflict of interest. If the offeror is aware of information bearing on whether a potential conflict may exist, the offeror shall provide a disclosure statement describing this information. (See Section L of the solicitation for further information.)

# K.4 SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS OF CONSULTANTS AND CERTAIN SOLE PROPRIETORS AND PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT (EPAAR 1552.224-70) (APR 1984)

- (a) Section 6041 of Title 26 of the U.S. Code requires EPA to file Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 1099 with respect to individuals who receive payments from EPA under purchase orders or contracts. Section 6109 of Title 26 of the U.S. Code authorizes collection by EPA of the social security numbers of such individuals for the purpose of filing IRS Form 1099. Social security numbers obtained for this purpose will be used by EPA for the sole purpose of filing IRS Form 1099 in compliance with Section 6041 of Title 26 of the U.S. Code.
- (b) If the offeror or quoter is an individual, consultant, or sole proprietor and has no Employer Identification Number, insert the offeror's or quoter's social security number on the following line.

## K.5 SIGNATURE BLOCK (EP 52.299-900) (APR 1984)

I hereby certify that the responses to the above Representations, Certifications and other statements are accurate and complete.

Signature	:
Title	:
Date	:

### SECTION L - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS

### L.1 NOTICE Listing Contract Clauses Incorporated by Reference

#### NOTICE:

The following solicitation provisions and/or contract clauses pertinent to this section are hereby incorporated by reference:

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1)

NUMBER DATE TITLE

52.204-6 APR 2008 DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS)

NUMBER

# L.2 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS-COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION (FAR 52.215-1) (JAN 2004)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision- Discussions are negotiations that occur after establishment of the competitive range that may, at the Contracting Officer's discretion, result in the offeror being allowed to revise its proposal.

"In writing," "writing," or "written" means any worded or numbered expression that can be read, reproduced, and later communicated, and includes electronically transmitted and stored information.

"Proposal modification" is a change made to a proposal before the solicitation's closing date and time, or made in response to an amendment, or made to correct a mistake at any time before award.

"Proposal revision" is a change to a proposal made after the solicitation closing date, at the request of or as allowed by a Contracting Officer as the result of negotiations.

"Time," if stated as a number of days, is calculated using calendar days, unless otherwise specified, and will include Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. However, if the last day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the period shall include the next working day.

- (b) Amendments to solicitations. If this solicitation is amended, all terms and conditions that are not amended remain unchanged. Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation by the date and time specified in the amendment(s).
- (c) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals. (1) Unless other methods (e.g., electronic commerce or facsimile) are permitted in the solicitation, proposals and modifications to proposals shall be submitted in paper media in sealed envelopes or packages (I) addressed to the office

specified in the solicitation, and (ii) showing the time and date specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror. Offerors using commercial carriers should ensure that the proposal is marked on the outermost wrapper with the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) and (c)(1)(ii) of this provision.

- (2) The first page of the proposal must show-
  - (i) The solicitation number;
- (ii) The name, address, and telephone and facsimile numbers of the offeror (and electronic address if available);
- (iii) A statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation and agreement to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite each item;
- (iv) Names, titles, and telephone and facsimile numbers (and electronic addresses if available) of persons authorized to negotiate on the offeror's behalf with the Government in connection with this solicitation; and
- (v) Name, title, and signature of person authorized to sign the proposal. Proposals signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the issuing office.
- (3) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals. (i) Offerors are responsible for submitting proposals, and any modifications or revisions so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that proposal or revision is due.
- (ii) (A) Any proposal, modification or revision received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and--
- (1) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals; or
- (2) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or
  - (3) It is the only proposal received.
- (B) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful proposal that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

- (iii) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the proposal wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.
- (iv) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that proposals cannot be received at the office designated for receipt of proposals by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of proposals will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.
- (v) Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before award. Oral proposals in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile proposals, proposals may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before award, subject to the conditions specified in the provision at 52.215-5, Facsimile Proposals. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or an authorized representative, if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the proposal before award.
- (4) Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the offeror may propose to provide any item or combination of items.
- (5) Offerors shall submit proposals in response to this solicitation in English, unless otherwise permitted by the solicitation, and in U.S. dollars, unless the provision at FAR 52.225-17, Evaluation of Foreign Currency Offers, is included in the solicitation.
- (6) Offerors may submit modifications to their proposals at any time before the solicitation closing date and time, and may submit modifications in response to an amendment, or to correct a mistake at any time before award.
- (7) Offerors may submit revised proposals only if requested or allowed by the Contracting Officer.
- (8) Proposals may be withdrawn at any time before award. Withdrawals are effective upon receipt of notice by the Contracting Officer.
- (d) Offer expiration date. Proposals in response to this solicitation will be valid for the number of days specified on the solicitation cover sheet (unless a different period is proposed by the offeror).
- (e) Restriction on disclosure and use of data. Offerors that include in their proposals data that they do not want disclosed to the public for any purpose, or used by the Government except for evaluation purposes, shall-
- (1) Mark the title page with the following legend: This proposal includes data that shall not be disclosed outside the Government and shall not be duplicated, used, or disclosed-in whole or in part-for any purpose other than to evaluate this proposal. If, however, a contract is awarded to this offeror as a result of-or in connection with-the submission of this data, the Government shall have the right to duplicate, use, or disclose the data to the extent provided in the resulting contract. This restriction does not limit the Government's right to use information contained in this data if it is

obtained from another source without restriction. The data subject to this restriction are contained in sheets [insert numbers or other identification of sheets]; and

- (2) Mark each sheet of data it wishes to restrict with the following legend: Use or disclosure of data contained on this sheet is subject to the restriction on the title page of this proposal.
- (f) Contract award. (1) The Government intends to award a contract or contracts resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the best value after evaluation in accordance with the factors and subfactors in the solicitation.
- (2) The Government may reject any or all proposals if such action is in the Government's interest.
- (3) The Government may waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received.
- (4) The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract without discussions with offerors (except clarifications as described in FAR 15.306(a)). Therefore, the offeror's initial proposal should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint. The Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if the Contracting Officer later determines them to be necessary. If the Contracting Officer determines that the number of proposals that would otherwise be in the competitive range exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals.
- (5) The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit cost or prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the proposal.
- (6) The Government reserves the right to make multiple awards if, after considering the additional administrative costs, it is in the Government's best interest to do so.
- (7) Exchanges with offerors after receipt of a proposal do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the Government.
- (8) The Government may determine that a proposal is unacceptable if the prices proposed are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. Unbalanced pricing exists when, despite an acceptable total evaluated price, the price of one or more contract line items is significantly overstated or understated as indicated by the application of cost or price analysis techniques. A proposal may be rejected if the Contracting Officer determines that the lack of balance poses an unacceptable risk to the Government.
- (9) If a cost realism analysis is performed, cost realism may be considered by the source selection authority in evaluating performance or schedule risk.
- (10) A written award or acceptance of proposal mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time specified in the proposal

shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

- (11) If a post-award debriefing is given to requesting offerors, the Government shall disclose the following information, if applicable:
- (i) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed offeror's offer.
- (ii) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful and the debriefed offeror and past performance information on the debriefed offeror.
- (iii) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.
  - (iv) A summary of the rationale for award.
- (v) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.
- (vi) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed offeror as to whether source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed by the agency.

### L.3 TYPE OF CONTRACT (FAR 52.216-1) (APR 1984) DEVIATION

The Government contemplates award of a Fixed Rate/IDIQ contract resulting from this solicitation.

### L.4 SERVICE OF PROTEST (FAR 52.233-2) (SEP 2006)

(a) Protests, as defined in Section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO) shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgement of receipt from:

Sharron K. Doherty

Hand-Carried Address:

Environmental Protection Agency 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20004

Mailing Address:

Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20460

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

## L.5 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FAR 52.252-1) (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

## http://www.arnet.gov/far/

http://ecfr.qpoaccess.qov/cgi/t/text/textidx?sid=52c48b59c02b4481b8576a658c6e69ab&c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title48/48cfrv
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### L.6 AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN PROVISIONS (FAR 52.252-5) (APR 1984)

- (a) The use in this solicitation of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) provision with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "DEVIATION" after the date of the provision.
- (b) The use in this solicitation of any Environmental Protection Agency (48 CFR Chapter 15) provision with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "DEVIATION" after the name of the regulation.

# L.7 ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTIFICATION (EPAAR 1552.209-70) (APR 1984)

- (a) The prospective Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it is not aware of any information bearing on the existence of any potential organizational conflict of interest. If the prospective Contractor cannot so certify, it shall provide a disclosure statement in its proposal which describes all relevant information concerning any past, present, or planned interests bearing on whether it (including its chief executives and directors, or any proposed consultant or subcontractor) may have a potential organizational conflict of interest.
- (b) Prospective Contractors should refer to FAR Subpart 9.5 and EPAAR Part 1509 for policies and procedures for avoiding, neutralizing, or mitigating organizational conflicts of interest.
- (c) If the Contracting Officer determines that a potential conflict exists, the prospective Contractor shall not receive an award unless the conflict can be avoided or otherwise resolved through the inclusion of a special contract clause or other appropriate means. The terms of any special clause are subject to negotiation.

### L.8 PAST PERFORMANCE INFORMATION (EPAAR 1552.215-75) (OCT 2000)

- (a) Offerors shall submit the information requested below as part of their proposal for both the offeror and any proposed subcontractors for subcontracts expected to exceed \$550,000. The information may be submitted prior to other parts of the proposal in order to assist the Government in reducing the evaluation period.
- (b) Offerors shall submit a list of all or at least five contracts and subcontracts completed in the last three (3) years, and all contracts and subcontracts currently in process, which are similar in nature to this requirement.
- (1) The contracts and subcontracts listed may include those entered into with Federal, State and local governments, and commercial businesses, which are of similar scope, magnitude, relevance, and complexity to the requirement which is described in the RFP. Include the following information for each contract and subcontract listed:
  - (a) Name of contracting activity.
  - (b) Contract number.
  - (c) Contract title.
  - (d) Contract type.
- (e) Brief description of contract or subcontract and relevance to this requirement.
  - (f) Total contract value.
  - (g) Period of performance.
- (h) Contracting officer, telephone number, and E-mail address (if available).
- (i) Program manager/project officer, telephone number, and E-mail address (if available).
- (j) Administrative Contracting officer, if different from (h) above, telephone number, and E-mail address (if available).
  - (k) List of subcontractors (if applicable).
- (1) Compliance with subcontracting plan goals for small disadvantaged business concerns, monetary targets for small disadvantaged business participation, and the notifications submitted under FAR 19.1202-4 (b), if applicable.
- (c) Offerors should not provide general information on their performance on the identified contracts and subcontracts. General performance information will be obtained from the references.
- (1) Offerors may provide information on problems encountered and corrective actions taken on the identified contracts and subcontracts.
- (2) References that may be contacted by the Government include the contracting officer, program manager/project officer, or the administrative contracting officer identified above.
- (3) If no response is received from a reference, the Government will make an attempt to contact another reference identified by the offeror, to contact a reference not identified by the offeror, or to complete the evaluation with those references who responded. The Government shall consider the information provided by the references, and may also consider information obtained from other sources, when evaluating an offeror's past performance.

- (4) Attempts to obtain responses from references will generally not go beyond two telephonic messages and/or written requests from the Government, unless otherwise stated in the solicitation. The Government is not obligated to contact all of the references identified by the offeror.
- (d) If negative feedback is received from an offeror's reference, the Government will compare the negative response to the responses from the offeror's other references to note differences. A score will be assigned appropriately to the offeror based on the information. The offeror will be given the opportunity to address adverse past performance information obtained from references on which the offeror has not had a previous opportunity to comment, if that information makes a difference in the Government's decision to include the offeror in or exclude the offeror from the competitive range. Any past performance deficiency or significant weakness will be discussed with offerors in the competitive range during discussions.
- (e) Offerors must send Client Authorization Letters (see Section J of the solicitation) to each reference listed in their proposal to assist in the timely processing of the past performance evaluation. Offerors are encouraged to consolidate requests whenever possible (i.e., if the same reference has several contracts, send that reference a single notice citing all applicable contracts). Offerors may send Client Authorization Letters electronically to references with copies forwarded to the contracting officer.
- (1) If an offeror has no relevant past performance history, an offeror must affirmatively state that it possesses no relevant past performance history.
- (2) Client Authorization Letters should be mailed or E-mailed to individual references early in the process to comply with the timing requirement referenced on page 1-3 of the Technical Proposal Instructions. The offeror should forward a copy of the Client Authorization Letter to the contracting officer simultaneously with mailing to references.
- (f) Each offeror may describe any quality awards or certifications that indicate the offeror possesses a high-quality process for developing and producing the product or service required. Such awards or certifications include, for example, the Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award, other Government quality awards, and private sector awards or certifications.
- (1) Identify the segment of the company (one division or the entire company) which received the award or certification.
- (2) Describe when the award or certification was bestowed. If the award or certification is over three years old, present evidence that the qualifications still apply.
- (g) Past performance information will be used for both responsibility determinations and as an evaluation factor for award. The Past Performance Questionnaire identified in section J will be used to collect information on an offeror's performance under existing and prior contracts/subcontracts for products or services similar in scope, magnitude, relevance, and complexity to this requirement in order to evaluate offerors consistent with the past performance evaluation factor set forth in section M. References other than those identified by the offeror may be contacted by the Government and used in the evaluation of the offeror's past performance.

- (h) Any information collected concerning an offeror's past performance will be maintained in the official contract file.
- (i) In accordance with FAR 15.305 (a) (2) (iv), offerors with no relevant past performance history, or for whom information on past performance is not available, will be evaluated neither favorably nor unfavorably on past performance.

### L.9 TECHNICAL QUESTIONS (EP 52.215-110) (APR 1984)

Offerors must submit all technical questions concerning this solicitation in writing to the contract specialist. EPA must receive the questions no later than ten (10) calendar days after the date of this solicitation. EPA will answer questions which may affect offers in an amendment to the solicitation. EPA will not reference the source of the questions.

### L.10 EVALUATION OF OTHER DIRECT COSTS (EP 52.215-130) (APR 1984)

For EVALUATION PURPOSES ONLY, offerors shall propose the following amounts:

<u>Period</u>			Amount						
Base			\$75,000						
Option	Period	I	\$75,000						
Option	Period	ΙΙ	\$75,000						
Option	Period	III	\$75,000						
Option	Period	IV	\$75,000						

# L.11 EVALUATION QUANTITIES--INDEFINITE DELIVERY CONTRACT (EP 52.216-205) (SEP 1984)

To evaluate offer for award purposes, the Government will apply your proposed fixed-prices/rates to the estimated quantities included in the solicitation (and add other direct costs, if applicable). The total evaluated quantities (plus other direct costs) represent the maximum that may be ordered under a resulting contract. This estimate is not a representation by the Government that the estimated quantities will be required or ordered.

## L.12 EPA GREEN MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES (EPAAR 1552.223-71) (MAY 2007)

- (a) The mission of the EPA is to protect human health and the environment. We expect that all Agency meetings and conferences will be staged using as many environmentally preferable measures as possible. Environmentally preferable means products or services that have a lesser or reduced effect on the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose.
- (b) As a potential meeting or conference provider for EPA, we require information about environmentally preferable features and practices your facility will have in place for the EPA event described in the solicitation.
- (c) The following list is provided to assist you in identifying environmentally preferable measures and practices used by your facility. More information about EPA's Green Meetings initiative may be found on the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/oppt/greenmeetings/. Information about EPA voluntary partnerships may be found at http://www.epa.gov/partners/index.htm.

- Do you have a recycling program? If so, please describe. (1)
- Do you have a linen/towel reuse option that is communicated to quests?
- (3) Do guests have easy access to public transportation or shuttle services at your facility?
- (4) Are lights and air conditioning turned off when rooms are not in use? If so, how do you ensure this?
- (5) Do you provide bulk dispensers or reusable containers for beverages, food and condiments?
- (6) Do you provide reusable serving utensils, napkins and tablecloths when food and beverages are served?
- Do you have an energy efficiency program? Please describe. Do you have a water conservation program? Please describe. (7)
- (8)
- Does your facility provide quests with paperless check-in & check-out? (9)
- (10)Does your facility use recycled or recyclable products? Please describe.
- (11)Do you source food from local growers or take into account the growing practices of farmers that provide the food? Please describe.
- Do you use biobased or biodegradable products, including biobased cafeteriaware? Please describe.
- Do you provide training to your employees on these green initiatives? Please describe.
- (14)What other environmental initiatives have you undertaken, including any environment- related certifications you possess, EPA voluntary partnerships in which you participate, support of a green suppliers network, or other initiatives?

Include "Green Meeting" information in your quotation so that we may environmental preferability in selection of our meeting venue.

## L.13 ADDITIONAL BID/PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS (EP-S 99-2) (AUG 2004) DEVIATION

#### a. General Instructions

These instructions are in addition to the applicable requirements and clauses set forth in the Federal Acquisition Regulation regarding bid/proposal submission and late bids/proposals. Please note that there are distinct addresses designated for bid/proposal submission on the SF 33. Block 7 designates the location specified for delivery of hand carried/courier/overnight delivery service bids/proposals while Block 8 indicates the address specified for receipt of bids/proposals sent by U.S. Mail. Bidders/Offerors are responsible for ensuring that their bids/proposals (and any amendments, modifications, withdrawals, or revisions thereto) are submitted so as to reach the Government office designated on the SF 33 prior to the designated date and time established for receipt. Bidders and offerors are also responsible for allowing sufficient time for the bid/proposal to be processed through EPA's internal mail distribution system described below so as to reach the designated location for bid/proposal receipt on time. Failure to timely deliver a bid/proposal to the EPA Bid & Proposal Room on the 6th floor of the Ronald Reagan Building, which is the location designated for bid/proposal receipt in blocks 7 and 8 of the SF 33, will render the bid/proposal "late" in accordance with FAR 14.304 and/or 15.208 and disposition of the bid/proposal will be handled in accordance with FAR 14.304 and 52.214-7 for bids and FAR 15.208 and 52.215-1 for proposals.

Bidders/Offerors are cautioned that receipt of a bid/proposal by the Agency's mail room or other central receiving facility does not constitute receipt by the office designated in the solicitation/invitation for bids.

### b. U.S. Mail Delivery-SF 33 Block 8

Block 8 on the SF 33 indicates that bids/proposals sent by U.S. Mail must be timely received by the Bid & Proposal Room, Mail Code 3802R. Because EPA adheres to a centralized mail delivery system, any bid/proposal submitted via U.S. Mail to the address specified in block 8 of the SF 33 is initially routed to EPA's mail handling facility at another location in S.W. Washington, DC, and then subsequently routed to EPA's Bid & Proposal Room (Mail Code 3802R) located on the 6th floor of the Ronald Reagan Building. The Bid and Proposal Room on the 6th floor of the Ronald Reagan Building is geographically distinct and is not colocated with the mail handling facility. Bids/proposals sent by U.S. Mail, therefore, will not be considered "received" until such time as they are physically delivered via EPA's mail distribution system to the EPA Bid & Proposal Room in the Ronald Reagan Building. Bidders/Offerors electing to utilize the U.S. Mail for bid/proposal delivery should therefore allow sufficient time prior to the designated time and date for bid/proposal receipt as specified in Block 9 of the SF 33 to allow for the internal routing of their bid/proposal to the EPA Bid & Proposal Room.

All bids/proposals submitted other than by U.S. Mail should utilize the Hand Carried/Courier/Overnight Delivery Service address specified in Block 7 of the SF 33.

## c. Hand Carried/Courier Delivery- SF 33 Block 7

EPA's Bid & Proposal Room that is designated for receipt of hand delivered bids/proposals is located on the 6th floor of the Ronald Reagan Building (Room 61107), 1300 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, D.C. The Bid and Proposal Room hours of operation are 8:00AM - 4:30PM weekdays, except Federal holidays. Because this is a secure area, EPA bidders/offerors/contractors and/or their couriers/delivery personnel must check in at the EPA visitor guard desk, located to the left of the 13 ½ street entrance, prior to gaining access to the Bid & Proposal Room. A properly addressed bid/proposal, as described below, will be required for admittance to the Bid & Proposal Room. Bids/proposals not properly addressed will be collected by the guard, and routed to the Bid & Proposal Room through EPA's internal mail distribution system, which will delay receipt of the bid/proposal in the Bid & Proposal Room.

### d. Overnight Delivery Services- SF 33 Block 7

Bid/Proposal deliveries via overnight delivery services (e.g., Federal Express, Airborne Express) must utilize the address specified in block 7 of the SF 33. Due to the large volume of overnight packages delivered to EPA at one time, all overnight delivery services deliver only to EPA's loading dock at the Ronald Reagan Building, and not directly to the Bid & Proposal Room designated for receipt of bids/proposals in block 7 of the SF 33. From the dock, packages are routed to EPA's mail room in the Ronald Reagan Building for internal distribution, including distribution to the Bid & Proposal Room. It is

important to recognize that regardless of whether the Bid & Proposal Room is noted on the address label as required by block 7 of the SF 33, overnight delivery service packages are NOT regularly delivered directly to the Bid & Proposal Room. Because bids and proposals must be physically received at the Bid & Proposal Room to be considered officially received, bidders/offerors should not rely upon guaranteed delivery times from overnight delivery services as guarantees that their bids/proposals will be officially received on time. Bidders/offerors remain responsible for the timely delivery of their bids/proposals to the Bid & Proposal Room.

#### e. Address Instructions:

### For US MAIL:

Environmental Protection Agency BID and PROPOSAL ROOM, Mail Code 3802R Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20460

Tuesday, September 22, 2008 1:00 p.m. (Eastern)

Solicitation Number: PR-HQ-08-12623 Offeror's Name and Address:

## For Other Than US MAIL

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Acquisition Management BID and PROPOSAL ROOM, Mail Code 3802R Ronald Reagan Building, 6th Floor, Room 61107 1300 Pennsylvania, Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004

Specified Date and Time for Receipt of Bids/Proposals:

<u>Date</u>
<u>Time</u>

Tuesday, September 22, 2008  $\overline{1:00}$  p.m. (Eastern)

Solicitation Number: PR-HQ-08-12623 Offeror's Name and Address:

## L.14 EPA GOALS FOR SUBCONTRACTING WITH SMALL BUSINESS (LOCAL LRT-19-12) (DEC 2001)

In reviewing offerors' subcontracting plans submitted in accordance with the provision entitled, "Utilization of Small, Small Disadvantaged and Women-Owned Small Business Concerns," (FAR 52.219-8) and FAR 52.219-9, "Small, Small Disadvantaged and Women-Owned Small Business Subcontracting Plan," EPA will use its own goals as an agency guideline. The breakout is as follows:

Percent of Subcontract Dollars Awarded

Awards to Small Businesses

50%

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Awards to Small Disadvantaged Businesses 20% Awards to Women-Owned Businesses 7.5% Awards to HUB Zones 2% - 2001 2.5\% - 20023\% - 2003 \text{ and each year thereafter} Awards to Service Disabled Veterans 3%
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These goals are not intended to be mandatory; however, offerors are encouraged to keep these goals in mind when developing their subcontracting plan. Please note that goals must be proposed as a percentage of total dollars being subcontracted.

A subcontracting plan format, which can be found on the internet at http://www.epa.gov/oam/rtp\_cmd under the heading "Forms", can be utilized as a guide to assist offerors in preparation of subcontracting plans.

### SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD

### M.1 EVALUATION OF OPTIONS (FAR 52.217-5) (JUL 1990)

Except when it is determined in accordance with FAR 17.206(b) not to be in the Government's best interests, the Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirements. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

# M.2 EPA SOURCE EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURES--NEGOTIATED PROCUREMENTS (EPAAR 1552.215-70) (AUG 1999)

- (a) The Government will perform source selection in accordance with FAR Part 15 and the EPA Source Evaluation and Selection Procedures in EPAAR Part 1515 (48 CFR Part 1515). The significant features of this procedure are:
  - (1) The Government will perform either cost analysis or price analysis of the offeror's cost/business proposal in accordance with FAR Parts 15 and 31, as appropriate. In addition, the Government will also evaluate proposals to determine contract cost or price realism. Cost or price realism relates to an offeror's demonstrating that the proposed cost or price provides an adequate reflection of the offeror's understanding of the requirements of this solicitation, i.e., that the cost or price is not unrealistically low or unreasonably high.
  - (2) The Government will evaluate technical proposals as specified in 1552.215-71, Evaluation Factors for Award.
- (b) In addition to evaluation of the previously discussed elements, the Government will consider in any award decision the responsibility factors set forth in FAR Part 9.

## M.3 EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD (EPAAR 1552.215-71) (AUG 1999)

- (a) The Government will make award to the responsible offeror(s) whose offer conforms to the solicitation and is most advantageous to the Government cost or other factors considered. For this solicitation, all evaluation factors other than cost or price when combined are significantly more important than cost or price.
- (b) Evaluation factors and significant subfactors to determine quality of product or service:
  - 1. Technical Approach -- 25 points
  - 2. Past Performance -- 25 points

- 3. Personnel -- 20 points
- 4. Management Approach -- 15 points
- 5. Corporate or Organizational Experience 10 points
- 6. <u>Small Disadvantaged Business Participation and Small Business</u>
  <u>Subcontracting Plan</u> 5 points

See Attachment #2, "Proposal Preparation Instructions", for detailed descriptions of each Evaluation Factor.

## M.4 SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS PARTICIPATION EVALUATION FACTOR (EPAAR 1552.219-74) (OCT 2000)

Under this factor [or subfactor, if appropriate], offerors will be evaluated based on the demonstrated extent of participation of small disadvantaged business (SDB) concerns in the performance of the contract in each of the authorized and applicable North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Industry Subsectors as determined by the Department of Commerce. As part of this evaluation, offerors will be evaluated based on:

- (1) The extent to which SDB concerns are specifically identified to participate in the performance of the contract;
- (2) The extent of the commitment to use SDB concerns in the performance of the contract (enforceable commitments will be weighed more heavily than nonenforceable commitments);
- (3) The complexity and variety of the work the SDB concerns are to perform under the contract;
- (4) The realism of the proposal to use SDB concerns in the performance of the contract; and
- (5) The extent of participation of SDB concerns, at the prime contractor and subcontractor level, in the performance of the contract (in the authorized and applicable NAICS Industry Subsectors in terms of dollars and percentages of the total contract value.

ATTACHMENT 1

STATEMENT OF WORK

## Statement of Work Research, Analysis and Program Support for EPA's State and Local Clean Energy Programs

### BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVE

EPA's State and Local Branch seeks a contractor to support the branch's efforts to identify, analyze, develop, and communicate activities, programs, and policies that help state and local governments implement cost-effective clean energy and climate change policies. Clean energy includes cost-effective energy efficiency (EE), renewable energy (RE), and clean distributed generation and combined heat and power (CHP).

## The contractor must:

- Have technical expertise with the range of clean energy and climate-relevant issues;
- Understand the complexity and interactions between clean energy and other climate-relevant policies and programs at the local, state, regional and national levels;
- Have excellent analytical skills and writing skills to clearly, concisely, and accurately communicate technical, analytical, and policy information;
- Provide quality work in a timely manner.
- Provide monthly activity reports that include progress toward milestones, and a detailed budgetary breakdown by task of work performed, hourly rates, hours billed, and administrative costs, as compared to the contract budget.

To assist states, in February 2005, EPA launched the Clean Energy-Environment State Partnership (CEESP) program, which currently has 16 partner states. Through the partnership, EPA works with states to develop and implement a comprehensive strategy for using existing and new energy and environmental policies and programs to effectively integrate clean energy into a low-cost, clean, reliable energy system for their state.

At the local level, EPA works with local governments to advance clean energy strategies through multiple efforts. The *Clean Energy-Environment Municipal Network* is an informational resource network that supports local government's efforts to use clean energy strategies to advance numerous community priorities. As part of the Municipal Network, SLB's Heat Island Reduction Initiative (HIRI) works with community groups, public officials, industry representatives, researchers, and others to identify opportunities to implement heat island reduction strategies.

In addition to the CEESP and Municipal Network, EPA is also engaged in a number of local, state, regional, and national program activities that involve analysis, technical assistance, targeted expertise, written guidance and peer exchange opportunities to help develop cost-effective climate change strategies, policies and programs for state and local officials.

## **DESCRIPTION OF WORK**

The objective of this contract is to support the State and Local Branch with its efforts to identify, analyze, provide support and communicate about activities, programs, and policies that help state and local governments implement clean energy (i.e., energy efficiency, renewable energy, and clean distributed generation technologies) and climate change programs. This support will be accomplished through work in the following areas:

- Program support and technical assistance to EPA;
- Program support and technical assistance to state and local governments;
- Clean energy, air quality, climate change, and human health analyses, studies, and evaluation;
- Clean energy, air quality, climate change, and human health guidance and tools; and
- Communications, information materials, meetings, and workshop support.

### TASK DESCRIPTIONS

## 1. Program support and technical assistance to EPA

The contractor shall provide a range of program support and technical assistance to help EPA advance its state and local clean energy and climate change programs. Specific tasks may include:

- Tracking national, state, and local government policies and relevant actions, and summarizing
  news articles and reports to assist EPA with keeping informed of clean energy and climate change
  related efforts;
- Conducting research, and drafting emails and memos to answer technical assistance requests from FPA:
- Conducting 'gap analyses' to identify state and local technical assistance and/or information needs and program trends;
- · Assisting with strategic planning;
- Tracking EPA's program performance and documenting program outputs and outcomes using qualitative and quantitative metrics; and
- Organizing meetings and calls with states, and locals and documenting outcomes and follow-up actions.

## **Anticipated Deliverables:**

- Facilitate four strategic planning sessions annually.
- Assist EPA in the development of annual progress reports summarizing activities completed, key accomplishments and expected outcomes.
- Quarterly updates on status of states for 30-35 clean energy and climate change policies (as detailed on the SLB web site) including links to relevant documents and brief descriptions of the action
- Quarterly updates on status of local clean energy strategies (as detailed in the Clean Energy Strategies Guide for Local Governments) including links to relevant documents and brief descriptions of the action.
- Quarterly web site posting of maps detailing status on each of these policy areas.

• Setting up monthly calls with partners, and other calls with states and locals on an as needed basis, including developing agendas and drafting minutes.

## 2. Program support and technical assistance to state and local governments

The contractor shall provide a range of program support and technical assistance to help EPA, states and local governments advance and implement clean energy and climate change programs. Specific tasks may include:

- Preparing tailored assessments of current policies and programs, their economic and other benefits, and potential areas for additional emissions reductions (GHGs and criteria pollutants) for states, and/or local governments, as needed;
- Providing technical assistance to states and local governments on specific analytic needs including, but not limited to, assisting with Evaluation, Measurement, and Verification (EM&V); developing emission factors; and quantifying energy savings and emission reductions; and
- Setting up and facilitating calls, as needed, with local and regional officials, developing agendas and drafting minutes.

## **Anticipated Deliverables:**

- Developing up to 15 reports/analyses to assist partners, state and/or local governments on topics including, but not limited to EM&V, emissions factor development, and quantifying energy and emissions reductions.
- Preparing up to 15 tailored fact sheets or similar resources, such as a presentation or brief case study for partners, states, and/or local governments.
- Advising up to 10 states on the design and evaluation of clean energy and climate change policies, programs, and financing mechanisms (3 to 5 policies for 10 states, annually).
- Responding to 3-5 stakeholder requests per month for the duration of the contract.

# 3. Clean energy, air quality, climate change, human health and economic analyses, studies, and evaluation for state and local governments

The contractor shall provide analytical support to help EPA advance integrated approaches to energy, air quality, climate change, human health, and economic policy-making. This work will include developing methods to estimate the impacts of clean energy and other GHG reduction strategies on the economy, the energy system, the environment (especially air quality), and human health. Support will also include developing and improving methods for incorporating clean energy into air quality and climate change programs. Support may include:

- Evaluating and recommending design options for the development and implementation of national, regional, state and/or local programs and policies to inventory, register, track, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and/or criteria air pollutants and the implications for state and local governments;
- Identifying and evaluating states' potential roles and limitations under national, regional, and state approaches to register, track and reduce greenhouse gases and the implication of these approaches on related state clean energy policies;

- Developing, maintaining and enhancing analyses and related documentation for evaluating the air
  pollution, greenhouse gas emission, economic and energy impacts of supply and demand-side
  clean energy strategies, including energy efficiency, renewable energy and clean distributed
  generation;
- Drafting comparative evaluations of voluntary, regulatory, and market-based approaches to advancing clean energy, improving air quality and reducing air pollution and greenhouse gases;
- Conducting local, state or regional analyses of emissions reduction policies, documenting the greenhouse gas, criteria air pollutant, economic and energy system impacts of clean energy and climate change programs and policies, and identifying opportunities to develop integrated approaches that meet energy, climate change and air quality program objectives;
- Analyzing and disseminating information on a range of EM&V topics (e.g., developing consistent protocols for measuring peak demand and energy savings from energy efficiency projects and programs) and developing EM&V resources related to incorporation of clean energy into market-based cap and trade schemes, and the development of tradeable certificates (i.e., RECs and 'white tags') for renewable energy and energy efficiency;
- Providing technical expertise on clean energy and climate change program design issues (e.g., analyzing EE/RE potential, estimating energy, economic and environmental impacts of policies, developing funding strategies, and advising on program design options);
- Drafting studies that evaluate regional, state and/or local energy efficiency and renewable energy potential, including the development of engineering cost estimates of controlling greenhouse gases and/or criteria air pollutants with energy efficiency or clean energy technologies; and
- Designing and evaluating clean energy and climate change policies and programs.

## **Anticipated Deliverables:**

- Conduct energy and/or air quality analyses for up to 10 states.
- Draft up to 15 studies, annually, on topics highlighted above, such as emission impacts of clean energy strategies, dynamic macroeconomic and energy system impacts of climate change and clean energy options for states and/or regions, comparative analysis of different approaches to advancing clean energy at the national, state and local levels, and integration of clean energy, climate change and air quality objectives ensuring use of most updated emission factors.
- Draft up to 10 resource pieces reports, whitepapers, or issue briefs on EM&V concepts, issues, and strategies.

## 4. Clean energy, air quality, climate, and human health guidance and tools

The contractor shall assist EPA with developing guidance and tools that advance integrated approaches to energy, economics, air quality, climate change and human health policy-making. This work will include developing fact sheets, case studies, and larger guidance documents as well as web-based and software tools that estimate the impacts of clean energy and other GHG reduction strategies on the economy, air quality, and human health. Further, the contractor will assist with developing and improving guidance and tools that aim to incorporate clean energy into air quality programs. Support may include:

• Developing tools, guidance and strategies for state and local governments to reduce greenhouse gases and criteria air pollutants; evaluate the impacts of clean energy and climate policies on the environment (especially air quality and climate change), human health, the energy system and the

- economy; and support decision-making, including, but not limited to, information on creating goals, prioritizing policies, lead by example programs, codes and standards, financing mechanisms, and "quick start" tools;
- Developing and supporting tools and methods to register, track and report emissions impacts of programs at the state and local levels;
- Developing fact sheets, case studies, and guidance documents that identify best practices, analyze and provide guidance on program design, discuss implementation and evaluation issues, and provide information resources. Topics for these materials include state and local clean energy and air quality programs and policies, EM&V methods and best practices, GHG inventory and action plan guidance, and heat island reduction strategies; and
- Monitor changes to national and international inventory methods, and national and state data sets to improve state/local GHG quantification methods.

## **Anticipated Deliverables:**

- Up to 10 fact sheets per year on clean energy policies (e.g., energy efficiency portfolio standards).
- Up to 10 clean energy case studies, annually (6-8 pages each).
- Up to 5 guidance documents, annually, on topics discussed above such as program design, program and policy implementation and evaluation, or GHG inventory and action plan development.
- Up to 10 web-based or software tools, annually, to help support state and local decision-making.
- Annual update of state GHG inventory and projection tool.
- Development of regional/local GHG inventory guidelines or tools.

## 5. Communications, meetings and workshop support

The contractor shall develop communications products and provide meeting and workshop support (conference calls, training conferences, meetings) for EPA's State and Local clean energy programs and partnerships. Support may include:

- Organizing and facilitating EPA's Technical Forum, which enables monthly state-directed peer exchanges and technical input on innovative approaches to advancing EE/RE, with a focus on identifying and quantifying co-benefits;
- Organizing and facilitating EPA's Clean Energy webcasts for local governments, which enables monthly local-directed peer exchanges and technical input on innovative approaches to advancing EE/RE, with a focus on identifying and quantifying co-benefits;
- Providing support for meetings, workshops, webcasts, and conferences including agenda development, speaker management, materials, publicity, and other needs;
- Tracking local, state, regional, and national conferences to identify speaking opportunities for EPA and to advance clean energy messages to state and locals; and
- Developing, revising and updating graphic design materials and original graphical layouts; providing research, document editing, copyediting, and desktop publishing support for State and Local clean energy program documents, such as information packets, partnership summaries, fact sheets, newsletters, annual reports and online resources. May include developing materials for electronic distribution via websites or CD-ROM.

## **Anticipated Deliverables:**

- Provide support for monthly Technical Forum calls identifying topics and speakers, preparing speakers for call, and facilitating discussion. Up to nine calls per year with facilitated discussion; developing 5-6 page background document for each call; developing 5-6 page summary document for each call; and maintaining web site to post all materials and listsery to notify participants of upcoming calls and status of documents.
- Support for up to 15 events per year, including webcasts, which includes developing agendas, identifying and inviting expert speakers, and disseminating information about the event.
- Monthly conference tracking.
- Provide graphic design services for 15-20 documents per year, including 2-3 large reports.
- Create state and local profiles to be posted on the EPA Clean Energy Web site.
- Develop information packets describing state and local programs.
- Develop an exhibit both that displays State and Local Clean Energy and climate change efforts.

## ATTACHMENT 2

## PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

I. TECHNICAL PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS
II. COST PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS
III. ORAL PRESENTATION INSTRUCTIONS

### I. Technical proposal instructions

- (1) An original and five (5) copies of the written technical proposal shall be submitted as a separate part of the total proposal package. Omit all cost or pricing details from the technical proposal.
  - (2) Special technical proposal instructions:

You are advised to closely read the technical proposal instructions and technical evaluation criteria before preparing a technical proposal. Written proposals shall consist of six sections which are each linked to the corresponding evaluation criteria detailed in Section M of this RFP.

#### A. General Instructions:

In addition to the instructions in section L.2, "Instructions to Offerors", the following is provided. The written technical proposal shall be prepared using the following guidance:

- 1. Length—The maximum length of the technical proposals shall be limited to 50 double sided typewritten pages on 8 ½" X 11" recycled paper, using no less than 12 point character size and no less than an average of 1" all around for margins. Type size limits do not apply to tables and figures, provided they are clear and readable. The following items are excluded from the above stated page limitation: letters of transmittal, commitment letters, cover page, table of contents, dividers, and Past Performance Questionnaires. Resumes are also excluded from the above stated page limitation. Foldout pages are considered as the total number of 8 ½" X 11" pages or fractions thereof that they fit and should not exceed 8 ½" X 17". Foldouts do not need to be double sided. Offerors are strongly urged to be as succinct, clear and concise as possible in writing the proposal and adhering to the recommended page limitation. EPA will not evaluate or consider materials beyond the page limitation specified herein.
- 2. <u>Organization</u>--Offerors are advised to supply all information in the sequence and format specified below. The Offeror's proposal and supporting documentation must provide a sufficient basis for a thorough evaluation of the proposal and provide the information needed to evaluate the proposal in accordance with the evaluation factors set forth in Section M. Proposals must be placed in 3-ring binders with dividers clearly indicating the following sections:
  - 1. Technical Approach
  - 2. Past Performance
  - 3. Personnel
  - 4. Management Approach
  - 5. Corporate/Organizational Experience
  - 6. Small Disadvantaged Business Participation & Small Business Plan

## B. Required sections of the written technical proposal:

## 1. Technical Approach

The technical approach must express how the Offeror proposes to perform each

task in the Statement Of Work (SOW) and provide a full explanation of the techniques and procedures proposed. Offerors shall demonstrate their technical understanding, knowledge, capability and approach to planning, organizing and performing contract activities presented in the SOW. Offerors shall describe their ability to provide high quality products and services similar to those described in the SOW. Proposals shall be appropriate, detailed, complete, and fully demonstrate the Offeror's understanding of the requirements of the SOW and the methodology and approach to accomplishing the SOW. Stating that the Offeror understands and will comply with the SOW or using such phrases as, "standard procedures will be employed" and "well-known techniques will be used" will be deemed insufficient.

## 2. Past Performance

The Offeror shall provide the information set forth in Provision L.8, PAST PERFORMANCE INFORMATION.

Offerors' past performance will be evaluated based on past performance information presented in their proposals, from information obtained on the attached "Past Performance Questionnaire", on information obtained by contacting the Offerors' supplied references, on information obtained through the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Contractor Performance System (CPS) if applicable, and on other information obtained by the Government from other sources. Offerors will be evaluated on the following qualitative factors, which are all of equal importance:

- 1. Quality of services / supplies,
- 2. Timeliness of performance
- 3. Effectiveness of management (including subcontractors)
- 4. Initiative in meeting requirements
- 5. Response to Technical Direction (business practices)
- 6. Compliance with cost/price estimates (cost control)
- 7. Small Disadvantaged Business Participation
- 8. Customer Satisfaction

Offerors with no past performance history, whose past performance history is not relevant, or for whom past performance data is not available, will not be evaluated favorably or unfavorably on past performance. Every attempt will be made to ascertain meaningful past performance information on which the Offerors' past performance can be evaluated. If an Offeror does not submit the past performance information required, and EPA becomes aware that the Offeror, in fact, has relevant past performance history, the Offeror may be deemed ineligible for award.

Offerors must send Client Authorization Letters **and** Past Performance Questionnaires to those listed in L8(b). Offerors shall ensure completed questionnaires are submitted electronically to the Contracting Officer (CO), Sharron Doherty, at <a href="doherty.sharron@epa.gov">doherty.sharron@epa.gov</a>. Mailed submittals are acceptable and the address is located in section G.4, Contract Administration Representatives. Completed questionnaires shall be received by the CO no later than 5 working days after solicitation end date. Late submissions may be received only at the discretion of the CO. It is the responsibility of the Offeror to ensure questionnaires are received in a timely manner.

### 3. Personnel

The proposed Key and Senior personnel will be evaluated on the extent to which they possess the appropriate technical (including state and local government program expertise), communications, marketing, events planning, and project management knowledge and expertise on the requirements and tasks described in the SOW. They will be evaluated on their demonstrated relevant accomplishments, education, experience, availability and organization of personnel (including subcontractors and consultants) proposed under the contract. Each Offeror shall propose personnel with relevant education and experience and who demonstrate appropriate technical knowledge and expertise for the requirements and tasks identified in the SOW. Personnel proposed for specific positions as described below shall demonstrate ability and relevant knowledge within their respective subject areas as well as an ability to perform the typical duties associated with their proposed position.

<u>Personnel Breakdown</u>—-The Offeror shall provide a table of contractor-proposed labor categories by level of expertise which demonstrate an appropriate mix of the personnel requirements stated above. The table shall identify which proposed personnel will be designated "Key Personnel", "Senior Personnel", or "Junior Personnel". Additionally, the breakdown shall provide an estimate of the availability of each proposed personnel under the contract.

Key and Senior Personnel Resumes—-Resumes for all Key and Senior personnel proposed for both prime and subcontractors are required. Resumes shall be uniform in format. The resumes shall contain specific information in both narrative and itemized formats concerning the qualifications of the proposed key and senior personnel. All resumes shall be signed by the individual and a corporate official certifying the accuracy of the information contained therein.

All resumes for proposed key and senior personnel must provide, at a minimum, the following information:

--Degrees held by each individual and/or other pertinent education. Include date(s), degree(s), and respective college or university education in which the degree(s) were received.

 $-{\tt Names}$  , years of experience, training, unique qualifications, positions held (beginning with the present position and working backwards), and tenure with the firm. If the individual is proposed as a new hire, signed Commitment Agreements between the individual and Offeror should be included in the technical proposal and will count against the page limit.

 $f 4. \ \underline{Management \ Approach}$  (Evaluation will be based on the written proposal and on the oral presentation and the materials used during the oral presentation).

Offerors will be evaluated on the overall management approach to planning and organizing contract activities to fulfill the requirements of the SOW; including programmatic, organizational, and functional processes, and quality control to support the general management of the resulting contract. Offerors will be evaluated on their ability to integrate the complex tasks of the SOW and oversee their concurrent implementation; and their ability to commit personnel and maintain a high degree of responsiveness to the periodic, unpredictable nature of the activities associated with the SOW. Offerors will be evaluated on their effective distribution of work between prime and subcontracts, and among labor categories. Offerors will be evaluated on the

clarity of their corporate structure, and the lines of management authority and responsibility within the organization.

The Offeror shall demonstrate the adequacy of its corporate or organizational structure and available resources, especially personnel, to manage and carry out the work under this contract. Offerors shall provide an organizational chart depicting the organizational structure, including any proposed major subcontractors. The chart should clearly illustrate the Offeror's corporate/organizational structure, including the lines of management authority and responsibility within the organization. It should also discuss communication between EPA program management and the Offeror's program management, and the lines of communication between the prime and subcontractor's management. Offerors shall discuss their ability to assemble high-quality project teams for task order requirements.

**5.** <u>Corporate or Organizational Experience</u> (Evaluation will be based on the written proposal and on the oral presentation and the materials used during the oral presentation).

Offerors will be evaluated on their current and prior corporate or organizational experience (including subcontractors and affiliates) in performing and managing contracts of a similar scope, dollar value, size and complexity to the tasks in the SOW. Offerors will be evaluated on the information presented in their written proposal pertaining to all contracts and subcontracts currently in process, or completed within the past three (3) years, which are similar in nature to this requirement. Offerors shall detail their experience with state and local governments in designing and implementing clean energy and climate change policies and programs.

Contracts listed may include those entered into with Federal, State and local governments, and commercial businesses. The Offeror (including all proposed team subcontractors) shall provide the following information for each contract/subcontract listed:

- a. Name of contracting activity/commercial business address and phone number.
- b. Contract title and number.
- c. Contract type and total contract/subcontract value.
- d. Brief description of contract/subcontract work, responsibilities and products.
- e. Period of performance.
- f. Any affiliation between the Offeror and client.
- g. Indicate comparability to proposed effort. It is not sufficient to simply state that it is comparable in magnitude and scope. Rationale must be provided to convince the Government that it is indeed comparable.
- h. Discuss any major technical problems encountered and how they were overcome.
- 6. <u>Small Disadvantaged Business Participation and Small Business</u>
  <u>Subcontracting Plan</u>--Offerors shall submit a plan using the information provided in sections H.6, I.9, L.14, and M.4.

### II. COST PROPOSAL

An original and one copy of the cost proposal is required.

The cost proposal shall adhere to the written proposal instructions outlined under "General Instructions". The Offeror is requested to include dividers clearly indicating the following sections outlined below:

- 1. Cover Letter, Title Page, Table of Contents
- 2. Financial Statements
- Cost and Pricing Data
- 4. Representations & Certifications
- 5. Exceptions

## 1. Cover Letter, Title Page, Table of Contents

In addition to a hard copy of the information, to expedite review of your proposal, you are requested to submit a computer disk containing the financial data required below (less financial statements) if this information is available using a commercial spreadsheet program on a personal computer. Please indicate the software program used to create this information (Excel is preferred). Offerors should include the formulas and factors used in calculating the financial data. Although submission of the computer disk will expedite review, failure to submit the disk will not affect consideration of your proposal.

### 2. Financial Statements

Submit current financial statements to include Balance Sheet, Statement of Income/Loss, and Cash Flow for the last two fiscal or calendar years. Specify financial resources available to perform the contract without assistance from any outside source. If sufficient resources are not available, indicate in your proposal the amount required and the anticipated source (i.e. bank loans, letter or lines of credit, etc.). These statements shall be signed by your financial officer.

### 3. Cost and Pricing Data

- a. <u>Fully Loaded Labor Rates</u> Each Offeror shall identify its fully loaded labor rates (inclusive of indirect costs and profit) for each Offeror-proposed labor category per contract period. The prime shall also provide indirect rates added to the subcontract and consultant portion of the effort.
- b. <u>Total Contract Price</u> For proposal purposes, the Offeror shall identify a total contract price per contract period based upon individually proposed, unique, fully loaded labor rates based on the hours proposed in section B.3, "Fixed Rates for Services", Other Direct Costs (ODC) as provided in the Section L.10 Provision, "Evaluation of Other Direct Costs" (EP 52.215-130), and using the percent of effort listed below for the tasks in the SOW.

For estimating purposes, the probable start date for the resulting contract is expected to be January 1, 2009.

Task

#1 Program Support & Tech Assistance to EPA 25% #2 Program Support & Tech Assistance to State & Locals 20%

#3	Analyses, studies and Evaluations	20%
#4	Clean energy/air quality/climate/health guidance tools	20%
#5	Communications, Meetings & Workshop Support	15%

The Government's estimated hours as listed in B.3 includes both prime and subcontracted hours. The Offeror shall submit its own, unique, individually proposed labor categories based on the Government estimate and the breakdown of the effort as listed above.

The labor hour and task effort is only an estimate of the Government's needs, and is for proposal purposes only. The actual labor mix ordered under the contract is subject to the requirements of individual task orders.

- c. Other Direct Costs Labor will not be reimbursed as an ODC unless authorized in writing by the Contracting Officer. ODCs consist of travel, audio/visual, reproduction/copying, supplies, postage/courier, communications, and other miscellaneous expenses. Offerors are required to propose a not-to-exceed amount for ODCs. Fee and/or profit is not permitted on ODCs.
- d. Indirect Rates The Offeror may propose a General and Administrative (G&A) rate(s) on ODCs. If your rates have been recently approved, include a copy of the rate agreement. If not recently approved or audited, provide supporting documentation for those rate(s).
- e. <u>Summary of Proposed Staffing</u> The Offeror shall provide a table containing proposed staffing information in accordance with the requirements of the instructions for the written technical proposal, and including the applicable labor rates for each option period. Indicate whether current rates or escalated rates are used. If escalation is included, state the degree (percent) and methodology. State whether any additional direct labor (new hires) will be required. If so, state the number required. If inconsistencies exist between personnel data submitted in the technical proposal and personnel data provided in the cost/price proposals, technical factors/subfactors will be downgraded.
- f. Subcontracts When the cost of a subcontract is substantial (i.e. 10% of the estimated contract value or \$200,000.00, whichever is less), the Offeror shall include details of subcontract costs in the same format as the prime contractor's costs. For evaluation purposes, the Offeror shall include a cost or price analysis of the subcontract costs in accordance with FAR 15.404-3 (b).

If a subcontract cost is not expected to go above those stated, the Offeror is required to provide a statement that they conducted cost/price analysis and the results of those analyses per FAR 14.404-3 (b).

#### 4. Representations and Certifications

Representations and Certifications shall be fully executed by an authorized representative of the Offeror. See Section K.

#### 5. Exceptions

This section shall consist of any exceptions the Offeror has to the terms and conditions of the solicitation. Offerors are reminded that exceptions to the solicitation are discouraged as they may result in the proposal being determined a non-conforming counteroffer. Any exceptions to the terms or conditions of the solicitation shall only be addressed in the event discussions are held. Offerors should be aware that the appropriate time to request clarifications or exceptions to the terms or conditions of the contract as set forth in the RFP is during the proposal preparation stage before proposals are submitted.

# III. Oral Presentations

Offerors are required to present the following portions of their written proposal: Management Approach and Corporate/Organizational Experience. Offerors must submit one copy of their DRAFT oral presentation materials (to include copies of the slides and any hand-out materials) with their cost and technical proposals. Three days prior to the scheduled presentation, the Offerors must e-mail final presentation materials to the CO (see paragraph f. below).

- a. **General**--Oral presentations will provide an opportunity for the Offeror to demonstrate core capabilities needed to satisfy the requirements as set forth in the SOW and **should not** be merely a summary of material presented in the written proposal. The oral presentation will give an opportunity for the Offeror to present the strategic vision of how they plan to accomplish the SOW incorporating their Management Approach and Corporate/Organizational Experience. The Offeror shall not present any new material from that provided in their proposal. It is anticipated that oral presentations will begin approximately one to two weeks after receipt of proposals. The order of presentations will be selected by random drawing. Once notified of their scheduled presentation date and time, offerors shall complete their presentations on the scheduled date and time. Requests from offerors to reschedule their presentations will not be entertained, absent compelling reasons, and no rescheduling of presentations will be allowed unless determined necessary by the Government to resolve unanticipated problems.
- b. <u>Location for Presentations</u>—-Presentations shall be performed in person at either 1310 L Street, NW or EPA Headquarters, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW in Washington D.C. Laptops and other electronics may be subject to X-ray before entry into the presentation facility. Offerors will be notified of exact location and time. Offerors should arrive early to allow for security checks.
- c. <u>Presentation Format</u>—Offerors shall use the Power Point program for their presentation. Offerors are not limited to the number of slides. Videos will not be accepted. Offerors are required to provide their own laptop. The government will provide the projector for Offerors to hook up their laptop. If other equipment is needed, the Offeror must bring their own. Offerors are not allowed to record or video-tape their presentation. EPA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RECORD OR VIDEO TAPE PRESENTATIONS.
- d. <u>Time Allowed for Presentations</u>--Offerors will have time to set up equipment and for team introductions (no more than 10-15 minutes). Fifty (50)

minutes will be available for presentation. Offerors will be stopped at the 50-minute mark no matter where they are in their presentation. The government will take a short break for question formation which will be followed by a 10 minute clarification period.

- e. Presentation Team -- Six hard copies of the names, firms, and position titles of all the presenters shall be submitted to the EPA at the beginning of the presentation. The Offeror shall assemble and use a presentation team that demonstrates the technical capability of the Offeror. The individuals proposed to fill key contract positions or essential subcontracted efforts shall lead the presentation (the Program Manager must be one of those presenting). Other team members who demonstrate the technical capabilities of the Offeror are encouraged to participate, however, the Offeror is limited to six (6) participating team members. For security purposes, the names and the company of the individuals to give the presentation shall be provided to the CO no later than three working days prior to the presentation date. The prime may elect not to have the subcontractor be part of the presentation **OR** only be present during their portion of the presentation and question period  ${\bf IF}$  that subcontractor is also being recommended by another prime and it would be a conflict of interest. The prime shall identify to the CO if that is the case and which subcontractor will not be presenting. All presenters need to have proper photo ID for entry into the facility.
- f. An electronic copy of the oral presentation slides shall be provided to the CO at least three working days prior to Offeror's scheduled presentation time (doherty.sharron@epa.gov).

# ATTACHMENT 3

CLIENT AUTHORIZATION LETTER

[Addressee <sup>-</sup>
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# Dear Client:

We are currently responding to the Environmental Protection Agency RFP #PR-HQ-08-12623 for the procurement of Program Support Services for the State & Local Branch of the Climate Protection Partnerships Division. The EPA is placing increased emphasis in their acquisitions on past performance as a source selection evaluation factor. EPA requires offerors to inform references identified in proposals that EPA may contact them about past performance information.

If you are contacted by EPA for information on work we have performed under contract for your company/agency/state or local government, you are hereby authorized to respond to EPA inquiries.

Your cooperation is appreciated.	Please direct any questions to	
1	<b>7</b> 1	[Offeror's point-of-contact]
	Sincerely,	

# ATTACHMENT 4

PAST PERFORMANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

# EPA Solicitation # PR-HQ-08-12623

# PAST PERFORMANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

Contractor/Name and Address (City and State):
Contract Number:
Contract Title:
Agency/Entity:
Type of Contract:
Dollar Value:
Contracting Officer Name (federal or other governmental body)/Individual responsible for evaluating the offeror's performance under the contract:
Telephone Number(s):
Title(s):
Mailing Address:
Period of Performance: From To [Insert dates consistent with the period for which past performance information is required to be submitted in accordance with the solicitation.]
Brief Description of Work:
Location of Work:
Name, Title, Telephone Number, Organizational Affiliation, Date and Signature of EPA employee filling out this form:
Party Responding to this Query (fill in requested information below)
Name (Party Responding to this Query), Title, Organizational Affiliation, Telephone Number, Mailing Address, and any affiliation with the entity which is the subject of this query and if there is/was an affiliation define what it is/was (fill in requested information below):

The ratings below are to be filled in by the reference above–NOT the offeror.

# 1. QUALITY OF PRODUCTS OR SERVICES DELIVERED:

a. Evaluate the contractor's performance in complying with contract requirements, quality achieved, and overall technical expertise demonstrated. (For example: on-time contractor arrival to site, establishment of call center, effective subcontracting, meeting permit requirements, accomplishment of transportation and disposal of wastes)
<pre>0 = Unsatisfactory, 1 = Poor, 2 = Fair, 3 = Good, 4 = Excellent, 5 = Outstanding, N/A = Not Applicable</pre> Remarks:
Remarks.
b. To what extent were the contractor's reports and documentation accurate, complete and submitted in a timely manner? (For example: accurate, complete, and on-time project work plans and daily cost accounting reports, site safety and quality assurance plans)
<pre>0 = Unsatisfactory, 1 = Poor, 2 = Fair, 3 = Good, 4 = Excellent, 5 = Outstanding, N/A = Not Applicable</pre>
Remarks:
c. How would you rate the contractor key personnel's technical expertise and management capabilities?
<pre>0 = Unsatisfactory, 1 = Poor, 2 = Fair, 3 = Good, 4 = Excellent, 5 = Outstanding, N/A = Not Applicable</pre>

Remarks:

0 = Unsatisfactory, 1 = Poor, 2 = Fair, 3 = Good, 4 = Excellent, 5 = Outstanding, N/A = Not Applicable
Remarks:
2. EFFECTIVENESS OF MANAGEMENT:
To what extent was the contractor able to solve contract performance problems, including subcontractor performance problems?
0 = Unsatisfactory, 1 = Poor, 2 = Fair, 3 = Good, 4 = Excellent, 5 = Outstanding, N/A = Not Applicable
Remarks:
3. INITIATIVE IN MEETING CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:
To what extent did the contractor display initiative in meeting requirements?
0 = Unsatisfactory, 1 = Poor, 2 = Fair, 3 = Good, 4 = Excellent, 5 = Outstanding, N/A = Not Applicable
Remarks:

d. How would you rate the contractor key personnel's response to technical direction by the Government?

# 4. TIMELINESS OF PERFORMANCE:

0 = U nsatisfactory,

1 = Poor,
2 = Fair,
3 = Good,
4 = Excellent,
5 = Outstanding,
N/A = Not Applicable

To what extent did the contractor meet project schedules?

0 = Unsatisfactory,
1 = Poor,
2 = Fair,
3 = Good, 4 = Excellent,
5 = Outstanding,
N/A = Not Applicable
Remarks:
5. COST CONTROL:
a. To what extent did the contractor display initiative in controlling overall costs? [Insert this question if it is relevant.]
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relevant.]  0 = Unsatisfactory,  1 = Poor,  2 = Fair,  3 = Good,  4 = Excellent,  5 = Outstanding,  N/A = Not Applicable

b. To what extent was the contractor able to track costs and provide accurate, complete and timely tracking reports? (For example: accurate, on-time daily cost accounting reports) [Insert this question if it is relevant.]

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- c. To what extent were the contractor's billings current, accurate and complete?
- 0 = U nsatisfactory,
- 1 = Poor
- 2 = Fair
- 3 = Good
- 4 = Excellent
- 5 = Outstanding,
- N/A = Not Applicable

Remarks:

#### 6. BUSINESS PRACTICES:

To what extent did the contractor coordinate and cooperate with the Government?

- 0 = U nsatisfactory,
- 1 = Poor,
- 2 = Fair
- 3 = Good,
- 4 = Excellent,
- 5 = Outstanding,

N/A = Not Applicable

Remarks:

#### 7. SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS PARTICIPATION:

What has been the contractor's compliance with subcontracting plan goals for small disadvantaged business (SDB) concerns, monetary targets for SDB participation, and the notification requirements (FAR 19.1202-4(b)) for any substitutions of firms that are not SDB concerns?

- 0 = Unsatisfactory,
- 1 = Poor,
- 2 = Fair
- 3 = Good,
- 4 = Excellent,
- 5 = Outstanding,

N/A = Not Applicable

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8. CUSTOMER S	SATISFACTION:
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a.	To what extent were you satisfied with the overall performance of the contractor?
0 =	= Unsatisfactory,
1 =	= Poor,
2 =	Fair,
3 =	= Good,
4 =	Excellent,
5 =	Outstanding,
N/	A = Not Applicable

Remarks:

- b. Would you do business with the contractor again? If not, why not?
- 0 = Unsatisfactory,
- 1 = Poor,
- 2 = Fair,
- 3 = Good,
- 4 = Excellent,
- 5 = Outstanding,

N/A = Not Applicable

Remarks:

ATTACHMENT 5

INVOICING INSTRUCTIONS

#### INVOICE PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

#### SF 1034

The information which a contractor is required to submit in its Standard Form 1034 is set forth as follows:

- (1) U.S. Department, Bureau, or establishment and location insert the names and address of the servicing finance office unless the contract specifically provides otherwise.
- (2) **Date Voucher Prepared** insert date on which the public voucher is prepared and submitted.
- (3) Contract/Delivery Order Number and Date insert the number and date of the contract and delivery order, if applicable, under which reimbursement is claimed.
- (4) Requisition Number and Date leave blank.
- (5) Voucher Number insert the appropriate serial number of the voucher. A separate series of consecutive numbers, beginning with Number 1, shall be used by the contractor for each new contract. When an original voucher was submitted, but not paid in full because of suspended costs, resubmission vouchers should be submitted in a separate invoice showing the original voucher number and designated with the letter "R" as the last character of the number. If there is more than one resubmission, use the appropriate suffix (R2, R3, etc.)
- (6) Schedule Number; Paid By; Date Invoice Received leave blank.
- (7) Discount Terms enter terms of discount, if applicable.
- (8) Payee's Account Number this space may be used by the contractor to record the account or job number(s) assigned to the contract or may be left blank.
- (9) Payee's Name and Address show the name of the contractor exactly as it appears in the contract and its correct address, except when an assignment has been made by the contractor, or the right to receive payment has been restricted, as in the case of an advance account. When the right to receive payment is restricted, the type of information to be shown in this space shall be furnished by the Contracting Officer.
- (10) Shipped From; To; Weight Government B/L Number insert for supply contracts.

- (11) Date of Delivery or Service show the month, day and year, beginning and ending dates of incurrence of costs claimed for reimbursement. Adjustments to costs for prior periods should identify the period applicable to their incurrence, e.g., revised provisional or final indirect cost rates, award fee, etc.
- (12) Articles and Services insert the following: "For detail, see Standard Form 1035 total amount claimed transferred from Page \_\_\_\_\_ of Standard Form 1035." Type "COST REIMBURSABLE-PROVISIONAL PAYMENT" or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY-PROVISIONAL PAYMENT" on the Interim public vouchers. Type "COST REIMBURSABLE-COMPLETION VOUCHER" or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY-COMPLETION VOUCHER" on the Completion public voucher. Type "COST REIMBURSABLE-FINAL VOUCHER" or "INDEFINITE QUANTITY/INDEFINITE DELIVERY-FINAL VOUCHER" on the Final public voucher. Type the following certification, signed by an authorized official, on the face of the Standard Form 1034.

"I certify that all payments requested are for appropriate purposes and in accordance with the agreements set forth in the contract."

(Name of Official)

(Title)

- (13) Quantity; Unit Price insert for supply contracts.
- (14) **Amount** insert the amount claimed for the period indicated in (11) above.

# INVOICE PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS SF 1035

The information which a contractor is required to submit in its Standard Form 1035 is set forth as follows:

- (1) U.S. Department, Bureau, or Establishment insert the name and address of the servicing finance office.
- (2) **Voucher Number** insert the voucher number as shown on the Standard Form 1034.
- (3) Schedule Number leave blank.
- (4) **Sheet Number** insert the sheet number if more than one sheet is used in numerical sequence. Use as many sheets as necessary to show the information required.
- (5) Number and Date of Order insert payee's name and address as in the Standard Form 1034.
- (6) **Articles or Services** insert the contract number as in the Standard Form 1034.
- (7) Amount insert the latest estimated cost, fee (fixed, base, or award, as applicable), total contract value, and amount and type of fee payable (as applicable).
- (8) A summary of claimed current and cumulative costs and fee by major cost element. Include the rate(s) at which indirect costs are claimed and indicate the base of each by identifying the line of costs to which each is applied. The rates invoiced should be as specified in the contract or by a rate agreement negotiated by EPA's Cost Policy and Rate Negotiation Branch.
- (9) The **fee** shall be determined in accordance with instructions appearing in the contract.

NOTE: Amounts claimed on vouchers must be based on records maintained by the contractor to show by major cost element the amounts claimed for reimbursement for each applicable contract. The records must be maintained based on the contractor's fiscal year and should include reconciliations of any differences between the costs incurred per books and amounts claimed for reimbursement. A memorandum record reconciling the total indirect cost(s) claimed should also be maintained.

# SUPPORTING SCHEDULES FOR COST REIMBURSEMENT CONTRACTS

The following backup information is required as an attachment to the invoice as shown by category of cost:

**Direct Labor** - identify the number of hours (by contractor labor category and total) and the total direct labor dollars billed for the period in the invoice.

Indirect Cost Rates - identify by cost center, the indirect cost rate,
the period, and the cost base to which it is applied.

Subcontracts - identify the major cost elements for each subcontract.

Other Direct Costs - when the cost for an individual cost (e.g., photocopying, material and supplies, telephone usage) exceeds \$1,000 per the invoice period, provide a detailed explanation for that cost category.

Contractor Acquired Equipment (if authorized by the contract) - identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.

Contractor Acquired Software (if authorized by the contract) - identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.

**Travel** - when travel costs exceed \$2,000 per invoice period, identify by trip, the number of travellers, the duration of travel, the point of origin, destination, purpose of trip, transportation by unit price, per diem rates on daily basis and total dollars billed. Detailed reporting is not required for local travel.

The manner of breakdown, e.g., work assignment/delivery order basis with/without separate program management, contract period will be specified in the contract instructions.

NOTE: Any costs requiring advance consent by the Contracting Officer will be considered improper and will be suspended, if claimed prior to receipt of Contracting Officer consent. Include the total cost claimed for the current and cumulative-to-date periods. After the total amount claimed, provide summary dollar amounts of cumulative costs: (1) suspended as of the date of the invoice; and (2) disallowed on the contract as of the date of the invoice. The amount under (2) shall include costs originally suspended and later disallowed. Also include an explanation of the changes in cumulative costs suspended or disallowed by addressing each adjustment in terms of: voucher number, date, dollar amount, source, and reason for the adjustment. Disallowed costs should be identified in unallowable accounts in the contractor's accounting system.

#### SUPPORTING SCHEDULES FOR FIXED-RATE CONTRACTS

The following backup information is required as an attachment to the invoice as shown by category of cost:

**Direct Labor** - identify by labor category the number of hours, fixed hourly rate, and the total dollars billed for the period of the invoice.

Subcontracts - identify the major cost elements for each subcontract.

Other Direct Costs - when the cost for an individual cost (e.g., photocopying, material and supplies, telephone usage) exceeds \$1,000 per the invoice period, provide a detailed explanation for that cost category.

Indirect Cost Rates - identify by cost center, the indirect cost rate,
the period, and the cost base to which it is applied.

Contractor Acquired Equipment - identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.

Contractor Acquired Software - identify by item the quantities, unit prices, and total dollars billed.

**Travel** - when travel costs exceed \$2,000 per invoice period, identify by trip, the number of travellers, the duration of travel, the point of origin, destination, purpose of trip, transportation by unit price, per diem rates on daily basis and total dollars billed. Detailed reporting is not required for local travel.

The manner of breakdown, e.g., work assignment/delivery order basis with/without separate program management, contract period will be specified in the contract instructions.

NOTE: Any costs requiring advance consent by the Contracting Officer will be considered improper and will be suspended, if claimed prior to receipt of Contracting Officer consent. Include the total cost claimed for the current and cumulative-to-date periods. After the total amount claimed, provide summary dollar amounts of cumulative costs: (1) suspended as of the date of the invoice; and (2) disallowed on the contract as of the date of the invoice. The amount under (2) shall include costs originally suspended and later disallowed. Also include an explanation of the changes in cumulative costs suspended or disallowed by addressing each adjustment in terms of: voucher number, date, dollar amount, source, and reason for the djustment. Disallowed costs should be identified in unallowable accounts in the contractor's accounting system.

#### RESUBMISSIONS

When an original voucher was submitted, but not paid in full because of suspended costs and after receipt of a letter of removal of suspension, resubmissions of any previously claimed amounts which were suspended should be submitted in a separate invoice showing the original voucher number and designated with the letter "R" with the copy of the removal of suspension notice. The amounts should be shown under the appropriate cost category and include all appropriate supplemental schedules. NOTE: All disallowances must be identified as such in the accounting system through journal entries.

Voucher resubmittals may also occur as a result of: (1) a new indirect cost rate agreement; or (2) adjustments to previously billed direct cost rates due to audit resolution. Such claims should be submitted in a separate invoice or request for contractor financing payment number. They should include supplemental schedules showing the previously adjusted amounts by contract period. If the resubmission is based on a new rate agreement, a copy of the agreement should be attached. Costs must be identified by delivery order or work assignment where appropriate. If the contract is Superfund-related, voucher resubmittals shall also identify the amount claimed against each Superfund site and non-site-specific activity.

#### COMPLETION VOUCHERS

Submit a completion voucher when all performance provisions of the contract are physically complete, when the final report (if required) is accepted, and when all direct costs have been incurred and booked. Indirect costs may be claimed at the provisional rates, if final rates are not yet available. Contractors must identify these vouchers by typing "Completion Voucher" next to the voucher number. For contracts separately invoiced by delivery order, provide a schedule showing total costs claimed by delivery order and in total for the contract.

In addition to the completion voucher, the contractor must submit an original and two copies of EPA Form 1900-10, Contractor's Cumulative Claim and Reconciliation showing the total cumulative costs claimed under the contract.

The information which a contractor is required to submit in its EPA Form 1900-10 is set forth as follows:

- (1) Contractor's Name and Address show the name of the contractor exactly as it appears in the contract and its correct address, except when an assignment has been made by the contractor, or the right to receive payment has been restricted, as in the case of an advance account. When the right to receive payment is restricted, the type of information to be shown in this space shall be furnished by the Contracting Officer.
- (2) **Contract Number** insert the number of the contract under which reimbursement is claimed.

- (3) First voucher number and completion voucher number.
- (4) Total amount of cost claimed for each cost element category through the completion voucher.
- (5) Total Fee awarded.
- (6) Amount of indirect costs calculated using negotiated final indirect cost rate(s) and/or provisional rate(s) as specified in the contract, if final rate(s) are not yet negotiated for any fiscal period.
- (7) Fiscal year.
- (8) Indirect cost center.
- (9) Appropriate basis for allocation.
- (10) Negotiated final indirect cost rate(s) or provisional indirect cost rate(s).
- (11) Signature.
- (12) Official title.
- (13) Date.

### FINAL VOUCHER AND CLOSING DOCUMENTS

After completion of the final audit and all suspensions and/or audit exceptions have been resolved as to the final allowable costs and fee, including establishment of final indirect cost rate(s) for all periods the contractor shall prepare a final voucher including any adjustments to vouchered costs necessitated by the final settlement of the contract price. Contractors must identify these vouchers by typing "Final Voucher" next to the voucher number. For contracts separately invoiced by delivery order, provide a schedule showing final total costs claimed by delivery order and in total for the contract. The contractor shall also provide an original and two copies of an updated EPA Form 1900-10, Contractors Cumulative Claim and Reconciliation, showing the total negotiated, cumulative costs for the contract. Indirect costs shall be included at the final negotiated rates.

In addition to the final voucher, the contractor must submit an original and two copies of the Contractor's Release; Assignee's Release, if applicable; the Contractor's Assignment of Refunds, Rebates, Credits and other Amounts; the Assignee's Assignment of Refunds, Rebates, Credits and other Amounts, if applicable; and the Contractor's Affidavit of Waiver of Lien, when required by the contract.